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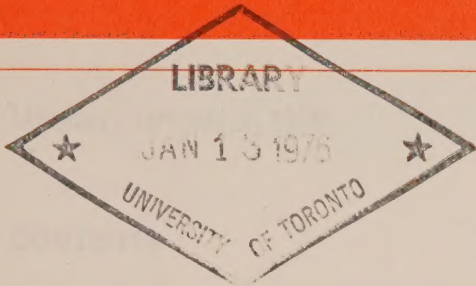
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- Service Bulletins — Metals and Minerals** (41-010, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 3, No. 11, Consumption of Lead and Zinc, 1974;
- Fabricated Metal Products** (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 4, No. 53, Factory Shipments of Valves, 1974p;
- Fruit and Vegetable Preservation** (32-023, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 4, No. 9, Acquirements of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables, April 1, 1974 to March 31, 1975 from 1974 Crop.

The Dairy Review, November 1975 — Advance Information.

An estimated 1.3 billion pounds of milk were produced in November 1975, 12.5% more than a year earlier. This brought the total estimate of production during the first eleven months of the year to 16.2 billion pounds, up 4.8% from the January-November period a year ago.

For further information order the November 1975 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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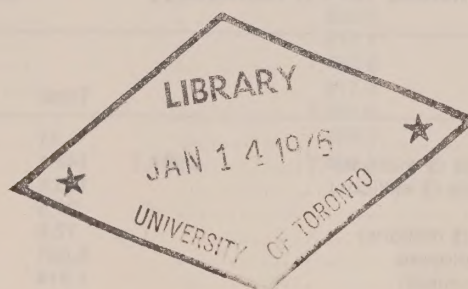
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Service Bulletins — Communications (56-1101, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 5, No. 30, Monthly Survey of Radio Broadcasting Stations, August 1975;

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 3, No. 3, Shipments of Domestic Mobile Homes.



Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics, 1974 (Preliminary) — Advance Information.

The statistical tables presented are based on two recent surveys, the Urban Transit Survey and the Passenger Bus Survey, covering 1974. For the purpose of this release, data have been accumulated only for those urban transit and inter-city passenger bus carriers which in 1972 had revenues from passenger transportation of \$100,000 or more.

Total operating revenues of Class 1, 2 and 3 common inter-city bus carriers in 1974 amounted to \$148.1 million. These carriers employed 5,531 people and operated 1,914 buses. Net operating revenues amounted to \$12.6 million.

Total operating revenues, of Class 1, 2 and 3 urban transit companies in 1974 amounted to \$321.0 million. These companies employed 24,770 people and operated 8,737 buses, trolley coaches, streetcars and subway cars. Net operating revenues amounted to a deficit of \$73.2 million.

For further information or additional tabulations contact the Chief, Surface Transport Section (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see table below)

Estimates of Labour Income, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Labour income, adjusted for seasonal variations, was estimated at \$7,458.0 million in October, a decrease of \$32.5 million or 0.4% from September. The September estimate, however, was significantly affected by the inclusion of lump sum cost-of-living payments. If these were removed, the October estimate would show an increase of 1.7%.

Unadjusted for seasonal variations, the October estimate of labour income was 12.6% greater than that recorded for October 1974.

Industrial and provincial details are not available due to low response to October surveys used to derive the labour income estimates.

Further details will be published in the October issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, 40¢/\$4) and additional information can be obtained on request to Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see table on next page)

Passenger Bus Statistics, 1974 (Preliminary)

	Total	Class 1 (over \$2,000,000)	Class 2 (\$500,000- \$1,999,999)	Class 3 (\$100,000- \$499,999)
Firms reporting	31	16	4	11
Total operating revenues (\$ millions)	148.1	141.9	3.7	2.5
Total operating expenses (\$ millions)	135.5	128.3	4.7	2.5
Operating ratio (%)	91.5	90.4	78.7	100.0
Net operating revenue (\$ millions)	12.6	13.6	-1.0	0
Average number of employees	5,531	5,213	145	173
Equipment operated (number)	1,914	1,715	75	124

Urban Transit, 1974 (Preliminary)

	Total	Class 1 (over \$2,000,000)	Class 2 (\$500,000- \$1,999,999)	Class 3 (\$100,000- \$499,999)
Firms reporting	51	11	16	24
Total operating revenues (\$ millions)	321.0	284.6	26.8	9.6
Total operating expenses (\$ millions)	394.2	348.5	32.5	13.2
Operating ratio (%)	122.8	122.5	121.3	137.5
Net operating revenue (\$ millions)	-73.2	-63.9	-5.7	-3.6
Average number of employees	24,770	21,430	2,364	976
Equipment operated (number)	8,373	7,071	1,118	548

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

(millions of dollars)

	Oct. 1975f	Sept. 1975p	Aug. 1975p	Oct. 1974
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	79.7	88.7	56.1
Forestry	70.0	75.1	84.2
Mining	160.4	163.6	148.4
Manufacturing	1,624.8	1,589.7	1,547.0
Construction	667.6	644.6	598.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	758.7	771.6	683.1
Trade	976.3	967.6	885.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	405.6	401.5	348.6
Service	1,806.2	1,493.1	1,466.2
Public Administration and Defence(1)	615.3	603.7	501.6
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	7,171.8	6,806.1	6,323.4
Supplementary Labour Income	464.0	459.3	409.0
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,578.3	7,635.8	7,265.4	6,732.5
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	58.6	57.6	51.7
Forestry	59.2	64.2	71.9
Mining	161.3	161.9	148.5
Manufacturing	1,591.0	1,578.6	1,515.5
Construction	582.2	559.9	535.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	747.2	750.1	678.9
Trade	980.2	984.7	875.2
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	412.4	401.8	353.0
Service	1,786.8	1,632.9	1,437.4
Public Administration and Defence(1)	617.2	587.5	508.4
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	7,001.6	6,782.8	6,180.6
Supplementary Labour Income	488.9	484.2	442.2
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,458.0	7,490.5	7,267.0	6,622.7

f First estimates

p Preliminary figures

r Revised figures

(1) Excludes military pay and allowances

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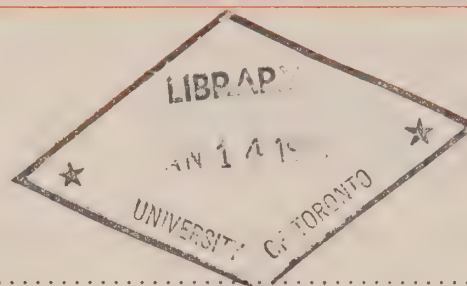
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Farm Cash Receipts, October 1975 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Salt Mines, 1974 (26-214, 70¢)

The Wheat Review, November 1975 (22-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

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Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 4, November 1975: No. 54, Builders and Shelf Hardware; No. 55, Oil Filters and Cartridges.

Salt, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine decreased to 447,784 tons in November 1975 from 603,640 tons a year earlier. This brought 1975 output to 5,143,204 tons from 5,293,235 tons in 1974.

For further information, order the November issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, K1A 0V6.

Fish Freezings and Stocks, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Advance data on fish freezings and stocks for October is now available.

For further information, order the October issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 3, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended January 3 totalled 271,283 short tons (246 104 metric tonnes), an increase of 24.7% from the preceding week's revised total of 217,531 short tons (197 341 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 274,863 tons (249 352 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 148.1 in the current week, 118.7 a week earlier and 150.0 one year ago.

For further information contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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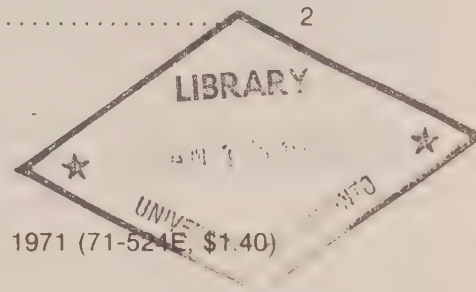
Working Life Tables for Males in Canada and Provinces, 1971 (71-524E, \$1.40)

International Travel, October 1975 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Stocks of Fruits and Vegetables, December 1, 1975 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, October 1975 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, October 1975 (41-006, 15¢/\$1.50)



Indexes of Real Domestic Product (Including the Index of Industrial Production), October 1975 — Advance Information.

Users should note that the data in this release are on a 1971 weight and reference base and follow the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification of industry (SIC). Quarterly, monthly and annual data for the period 1971-74 are available on CANSIM in the following matrices: Annual — 1124; Quarterly — 1123; Monthly — 1122.

These data will also appear in the publication *Real Domestic Product by Industry 1971 100* (61-213).

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product decreased 0.3% in October to a level of 115.7 from 116.1 in September. Most of the decline originated with forestry, manufacturing and communication. The Index of Industrial Product (comprising mining, manufacturing and utilities) declined 0.5%.

In manufacturing the main contributors to the decline were pulp and paper mills (affected by strikes) and motor vehicle manufacturers. Other industries recording significant declines were meat products manufacturers, iron and steel mills and household radio and television receiver manufacturers. Manufacturers of dairy products, major appliances and cement (following a strike) registered advances.

The fall in forestry output can be related to the decline in pulp and paper mills and decreased output of sawmills.

In communication, the decrease is attributable to the post office strike which commenced towards the end of October.

Mining output also decreased as a result of declines in both coal mining and crude petroleum and natural gas. Output of iron mines increased. (Users should note that retail trade and wholesale trade were estimated for October and revisions may therefore be larger than normal.)

The pattern of growth of the last few years has been little changed by this latest revision to the RDP series. Differences in annual growth rates between the RDP and deflated Gross National Expenditure aggregates can be attributed to a

number of causes including incorporation in the RDP series of some data not available at the time of the GNE revision and also to the preliminary nature of the rebasing of both series to a 1971 weight and reference base. Both series will be revised during 1976 to incorporate further methodological changes and further revisions to source data. At that time the two series will be more in phase than at present and it is expected that their movements will be more similar. However, some differences will remain due to statistical errors and the use of the market price and national concepts in the GNE series and the factor cost and domestic concepts in the RDP series.

For further information, order the October issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (Including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0579), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Book Publishing Survey, 1974 — Preliminary.

The Education, Science and Culture Division has just completed a survey covering 592 book publishers. They reported total 1974 sales of \$241.5 million with \$144.5 million from sales of their own books. Government subsidies to the book publishing industry amounted to \$1.8 million in 1974. The number of titles published or reprinted during the year was 7,591.

The division is still analysing the data for a forthcoming publication. Further information may be obtained from Mr. Roch Bacon (613-995-9682), Fine Arts and Media Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Price and Price Indexes (Building Construction Input Price Indexes)

November 1975 — Advance Information.

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes (1961=100)

	Nov. 1975	Oct. 1975	Nov. 1974	% Change	
				Nov./75 Oct./75	Nov./75 Nov./74
Total Index	264.0	262.0	238.2	0.8	10.8
Materials	201.4	200.9	193.4	0.2	4.1
Steel and Metal Work	220.6	220.6	216.7	—	1.8
Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment ..	187.0	187.1	186.1	-0.1	0.5
Electrical Equipment	147.6	144.8	160.0	1.9	-7.8
Concrete Products	209.4	209.0	177.1	0.2	18.2
Lumber and Lumber Products	236.3	234.6	229.8	0.7	2.9
Other	199.2	199.1	182.7	0.1	9.1
Labour	340.8	336.9	293.2	1.2	16.2

r Revised figures.

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
Real Domestic Product	100.000	114.5	114.9	113.8	114.4	114.3	115.2
Agriculture	3.371	86.3	86.5	84.0	85.2	87.1	89.1
Forestry715	117.7	110.7	106.6	116.4	87.6	96.9
Fishing and Trapping181	67.6	69.6	78.9	84.3	93.4	79.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	110.0	111.2	103.1	105.9	102.9	106.2
Manufacturing industries	22.862	113.1	112.8	112.7	112.7	112.3	112.8
Construction industry	6.990	100.7	98.8	96.8	96.3	97.3	99.3
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	124.5	124.9	122.0	124.1	124.7	124.8
Transportation	5.874	119.6	119.7	115.6	116.7	118.6	118.8
Air transport and services incidental to air transport679	162.0	163.8	163.3	154.2	159.4	157.8
Railway transport	1.700	117.8	118.8	108.3	114.1	112.9	112.7
Bus transport, interurban and rural089	113.8	124.8	118.1	129.9	125.9	129.6
Urban transit systems250	116.0	117.6	115.7	118.7	118.0	119.1
Pipeline transport489	125.9	120.6	121.8	120.9	121.7	130.5
Storage258	106.0	95.0	87.3	110.8	102.1	89.2
Grain elevators177	102.3	86.7	75.6	109.7	97.1	78.9
Communication	2.964	135.9	137.8	137.7	139.9	138.5	139.8
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	128.5	130.5	130.9	132.0	127.6	128.9
Trade	11.367	113.8	117.0	115.2	114.1	114.7	115.9
Wholesale trade	4.509	113.2	116.3	113.7	113.3	116.4	118.4
Wholesale merchants	3.242	114.2	117.2	114.8	113.9	118.5	119.4
Retail trade	6.858	114.2	117.5	116.2	114.5	113.6	114.3
Food stores	1.368	103.0	104.7	104.8	104.9	104.9	105.9
General merchandise stores	1.562	121.4	122.7	123.1	122.8	125.3	122.2
Department stores927	130.8	131.4	132.4	134.9	138.7	134.5
Other general merchandise stores635	107.7	109.9	109.6	105.2	105.6	104.3
Motor vehicle dealers697	123.6	128.9	124.2	124.9	125.0	132.8
Clothing stores462	113.8	119.2	110.9	108.8	108.9	106.1
Hardware stores098	101.2	104.8	103.6	99.5	100.5	96.1
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores177	113.6	117.6	109.5	110.5	107.8	115.1
Drug stores290	118.2	113.8	110.2	108.4	109.0	111.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	120.0	120.1	120.4	120.9	120.9	122.1
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	116.5	116.9	117.0	117.7	118.4	118.4
Education and related services	6.509	109.1	109.6	109.6	109.8	110.3	108.1
Health and welfare services	5.272	121.5	122.2	122.9	123.5	124.1	125.3
Amusement and recreation services427	130.0	128.5	129.5	127.1	127.2	130.1
Services to business management	2.311	121.9	121.8	121.6	124.4	125.7	125.8
Personal services	1.000	106.3	106.0	106.3	106.1	106.3	106.0
Accommodation and food services	2.799	118.7	119.8	118.9	120.6	121.4	124.1
Public administration and defence	7.388	116.7	117.6	116.6	117.2	117.6	119.3
Special groupings							
Index of industrial production	29.497	114.2	114.3	113.2	113.6	112.6	113.5
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	115.5	115.9	114.9	115.4	115.2	116.1
Goods-producing industries	40.754	109.4	109.1	107.7	108.2	107.3	108.6
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	111.5	111.1	109.8	110.3	109.2	110.4
Service-producing industries	59.246	117.9	118.9	118.1	118.6	119.1	119.8
Commercial industries	81.341	114.9	115.3	114.0	114.6	114.4	115.5
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	116.1	116.5	115.3	115.9	115.6	116.6
Non-commercial industries	18.659	112.6	113.3	113.0	113.4	113.8	114.0
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	113.3	112.3	111.4	110.9	110.8	111.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	113.0	113.3	114.0	114.5	113.9	113.9

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	July	Aug.	Sept	Oct.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	116.1	116.0	116.1	115.7	-0.3
Agriculture	3.371	88.3	87.7	87.7	87.4	-0.3
Forestry715	118.6	110.3	95.7	75.1	-21.5
Fishing and Trapping181	75.3	69.2	88.3	70.8	-19.8
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.1	108.4	104.9	102.9	-1.8
Manufacturing industries	22.862	112.1	111.8	110.8	110.3	-0.4
Construction industry	6.990	100.4	102.6	104.4	104.5	0.1
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	125.6	125.3	125.0	123.8	-0.9
Transportation	5.874	119.5	118.9	115.7	116.5	0.7
Air transport and services incidental to air transport679	158.8	159.7	156.0	156.7	0.4
Railway transport	1.700	111.9	114.8	105.4	107.9	2.4
Bus transport, interurban and rural089	122.4	129.7	139.7	134.6	-3.7
Urban transit systems250	116.3	105.6	108.4	111.0	2.4
Pipeline transport489	135.9	129.6	128.6	126.5	-1.6
Storage258	91.9	87.5	112.1	103.8	-7.4
Grain elevators177	82.2	76.8	115.1	102.8	-10.7
Communication	2.964	140.7	141.1	144.5	140.2	-3.0
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	128.8	127.8	127.5	127.8	0.3
Trade	11.367	119.4	118.3	120.1
Wholesale trade	4.509	119.5	116.4	121.3
Wholesale merchants	3.242	120.8	117.7	123.6
Retail trade	6.858	119.3	119.5	119.4
Food stores	1.368	105.5	104.4	104.1
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Clothing stores462	114.5	118.6	115.4
Hardware stores098	100.5	100.6	103.2
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores177	118.7	121.3	126.4
Drug stores290	113.1	113.0	113.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	122.8	122.7	123.6	123.7	—
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	119.4	120.0	120.6	121.1	0.5
Education and related services	6.509	109.6	110.5	109.0	110.1	1.0
Health and welfare services	5.272	126.4	126.8	127.0	127.6	0.5
Amusement and recreation services427	128.9	130.6	135.8	137.8	1.5
Services to business management	2.311	127.4	126.3	128.4	129.6	0.9
Personal services	1.000	106.2	105.9	106.3	106.5	0.2
Accommodation and food services	2.799	123.7	126.5	129.3	127.9	-1.1
Public administration and defence	7.388	120.1	119.5	120.1	120.3	0.2
Special groupings						
Index of industrial production	29.497	113.2	112.9	111.6	111.0	-0.5
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	117.1	117.0	117.1	116.7	-0.3
Goods-producing industries	40.754	108.9	108.8	108.0	107.2	-0.8
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	110.7	110.7	109.9	108.9	-0.8
Service-producing industries	59.246	121.1	121.0	121.7	121.6	-0.1
Commercial industries	81.341	116.3	116.1	116.4	115.8	-0.5
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	117.5	117.4	117.6	117.0	-0.6
Non-commercial industries	18.659	115.3	115.4	115.1	115.7	0.5
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	109.1	110.0	107.7	106.8	-0.9
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	115.2	113.6	114.0	113.9	—

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971 = 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1st Qtr.	1975 2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	114.4	114.6	116.1	1.3
Agriculture	3.371	85.6	87.1	87.9	0.9
Forestry715	111.7	100.3	108.2	7.9
Fishing and Trapping181	72.0	85.7	77.6	-9.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.1	105.0	107.1	2.0
Manufacturing industries	22.862	112.9	112.6	111.6	-0.9
Construction industry	6.990	98.8	97.6	102.4	4.9
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	123.8	124.5	125.3	0.6
Transportation	5.874	118.3	118.1	118.0	-
Air transport and services incidental to air transport679	163.0	157.1	158.2	0.7
Railway transport	1.700	115.0	113.2	110.7	-2.2
Bus transport, interurban and rural089	118.9	128.5	130.6	1.7
Urban transit systems250	116.4	118.6	110.1	-7.2
Pipeline transport480	122.8	124.4	131.4	5.6
Storage258	96.1	100.7	97.2	-3.5
Grain elevators177	88.2	95.2	91.4	-4.1
Communication	2.964	137.1	139.4	142.1	1.9
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.9	129.5	128.1	-1.1
Trade	11.367	115.3	114.9	119.3	3.8
Wholesale trade	4.509	114.4	116.1	119.1	2.6
Wholesale merchants	3.242	115.4	117.3	120.7	2.9
Retail trade	6.858	115.9	114.1	119.4	4.6
Food stores	1.368	104.2	105.2	104.7	-0.5
General merchandise stores	1.562	122.4	123.4	128.6	4.2
Department stores927	131.5	136.0	143.1	5.2
Other general merchandise stores635	109.1	105.0	107.3	2.2
Motor vehicle dealers697	125.6	127.5	149.9	17.5
Clothing stores462	114.7	107.9	116.2	7.6
Hardware stores098	103.2	98.7	101.4	2.8
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores177	113.6	111.1	122.1	9.9
Drug stores290	114.1	109.7	113.1	3.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	120.2	121.3	123.1	1.5
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	116.8	118.2	120.0	1.5
Education and related services	6.509	109.4	109.4	109.7	0.3
Health and welfare services	5.272	122.2	124.3	126.7	2.0
Amusement and recreation services427	129.3	128.1	131.8	2.8
Services to business management	2.311	121.8	125.3	127.4	1.6
Personal services	1.000	106.2	106.1	106.1	-
Accommodation and food services	2.799	119.1	122.0	126.5	3.7
Public administration and defence	7.388	117.0	118.0	119.9	1.6
Special groupings					
Index of industrial production	29.497	113.9	113.2	112.6	-0.6
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	115.4	115.6	117.1	1.3
Goods-producing industries	40.754	108.7	108.1	108.6	0.5
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	110.8	109.9	110.4	0.4
Service-producing industries	59.246	118.3	119.1	121.3	1.8
Commercial industries	81.341	114.7	114.8	116.3	1.3
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	116.0	116.0	117.5	1.3
Non-commercial industries	18.659	113.0	113.8	115.2	1.3
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	112.3	111.1	108.9	-2.0
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	113.4	114.1	114.3	0.1

Monthly Index of Industrial Production

(1971 = 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	114.2	114.3	113.2	113.6	112.6	113.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	110.0	111.2	103.1	105.9	102.9	106.2
Metal mines	1.584	103.4	108.6	95.7	104.2	101.0	95.5
Mineral fuels	1.492	116.5	115.3	109.1	110.2	105.4	120.1
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)363	117.8	112.9	109.4	96.0	96.5	95.4
Manufacturing industries	22.862	113.1	112.8	112.7	112.7	112.3	112.8
Food and beverage industries	3.254	111.0	111.1	111.0	109.6	109.9	109.3
Tobacco products industries212	112.2	109.2	105.2	105.5	103.7	100.3
Rubber and plastics products industries650	118.7	114.5	117.0	117.8	119.4	123.4
Leather industries206	105.5	104.3	100.4	99.3	98.9	97.7
Textile industries756	102.3	102.8	103.0	104.1	100.5	107.4
Knitting mills205	98.3	98.7	98.8	104.2	105.1	107.4
Clothing industries742	106.3	104.8	101.6	103.1	105.5	105.7
Wood industries968	89.3	96.0	99.7	102.9	109.4	111.7
Furniture and fixture industries420	114.6	109.7	105.7	107.0	107.8	106.6
Paper and allied industries	1.878	113.9	113.1	108.5	105.6	105.9	110.4
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	121.0	121.3	120.3	119.9	120.4	120.1
Primary metal industries	1.976	117.5	112.2	109.6	110.0	104.6	103.9
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	115.5	113.9	113.5	114.8	111.8	109.8
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	143.0	142.1	139.0	140.1	136.2	133.0
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	99.8	106.4	114.2	114.9	115.5	118.7
Electrical products industries	1.631	117.9	117.6	114.7	112.2	115.0	111.7
Non-metallic mineral products industries905	117.5	114.9	114.0	113.6	114.8	119.4
Petroleum and coal products industries394	121.2	121.6	124.1	131.0	132.8	127.9
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	119.4	117.8	117.0	116.7	116.3	115.7
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries713	115.2	109.4	111.5	110.3	106.7	104.7
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	128.5	130.5	130.9	132.0	127.6	128.9
Special industry groupings:							
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	113.3	112.3	111.4	110.9	110.8	111.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	113.0	113.3	114.0	114.5	113.9	113.9

Monthly Index of Industrial Production

(1971 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	113.2	112.9	111.6	111.0	-0.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.1	108.4	104.9	102.9	-1.8
Metal mines	1.584	99.1	103.3	91.8	92.5	0.7
Mineral fuels	1.492	120.4	120.8	122.4	114.7	-6.3
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)363	97.1	83.3	86.4	94.4	9.2
Manufacturing industries	22.862	112.1	111.8	110.8	110.3	-0.4
Food and beverage industries	3.254	109.0	109.6	110.0	109.6	-0.4
Tobacco products industries212	104.8	113.8	107.1	110.9	3.5
Rubber and plastics products industries650	122.5	123.6	123.0	123.0	—
Leather industries206	100.2	98.7	99.0	103.6	4.7
Textile industries756	107.2	109.3	106.7	106.9	0.2
Knitting mills205	106.2	108.4	109.1	108.2	-0.8
Clothing industries742	105.4	107.0	105.7	105.7	—
Wood industries968	109.1	93.5	89.4	90.7	1.5
Furniture and fixture industries420	107.5	112.4	112.2	112.0	-0.2
Paper and allied industries	1.878	94.9	96.1	85.9	79.9	-7.0
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	120.8	120.7	120.3	120.4	0.1
Primary metal industries	1.976	106.8	100.4	107.8	106.7	-1.0
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	110.5	110.0	111.0	111.0	—
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	130.5	130.7	130.3	130.8	0.3
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	122.2	124.9	120.0	118.4	-1.4
Electrical products industries	1.631	113.0	115.7	117.9	118.3	0.4
Non-metallic mineral products industries905	120.2	117.4	118.2	122.3	3.5
Petroleum and coal products industries394	122.1	121.9	118.0	118.9	0.8
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	116.9	116.2	115.7	115.8	0.1
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries713	104.4	107.3	105.0	104.6	-0.4
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	128.8	127.8	127.5	127.8	0.3
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	109.1	110.0	107.7	106.8	-0.9
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	115.2	113.6	114.0	113.9	—

Quarterly Index of Industrial Production

(1971 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1975 1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	113.9	113.2	112.6	-0.6
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.1	105.0	107.1	2.0
Metal mines	1.584	102.6	100.2	98.1	-2.2
Mineral fuels	1.492	113.6	111.9	121.2	8.3
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)363	113.3	96.0	88.9	-7.3
Manufacturing industries	22.862	112.9	112.6	111.6	-0.9
Food and beverage industries	3.254	111.0	109.6	109.5	-0.1
Tobacco products industries212	108.9	103.2	108.6	5.2
Rubber and plastics products industries650	116.7	120.2	123.0	2.4
Leather industries206	103.4	98.6	99.3	0.7
Textile industries756	102.7	104.0	107.7	3.6
Knitting mills205	98.6	105.6	107.9	2.2
Clothing industries742	104.3	104.7	106.0	1.2
Wood industries968	95.0	108.0	97.3	-9.9
Furniture and fixture industries420	110.0	107.1	110.7	3.3
Paper and allied industries	1.878	111.8	107.3	92.3	-14.0
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	120.9	120.1	120.6	0.4
Primary metal industries	1.976	113.1	106.2	105.0	-1.1
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	114.3	112.1	110.5	-1.5
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	141.4	136.4	130.5	-4.3
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	106.8	116.3	122.4	5.2
Electrical products industries	1.631	116.8	112.9	115.5	2.3
Non-metallic mineral products industries905	115.5	115.9	118.6	2.3
Petroleum and coal products industries394	122.3	130.6	120.7	-7.6
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Miscellaneous manufacturing industries713	112.0	107.2	105.5	-1.6
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.9	129.5	128.1	-1.1
Special industry groupings:					
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	112.3	111.1	108.9	-2.0
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	113.4	114.1	114.3	0.1

Prices and Price Indexes, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

	Number stocks priced	Jan. 2/76 This week	Dec. 24/75 Week ago	Dec. 5/75 Month ago
1971 = 100				
Investors Index	134	97.6	96.6	99.0
Industrials	85	98.9	97.8	100.2
Foods	9	90.6	89.8	89.6
Alcoholic beverages	5	85.9	86.0	88.4
Textiles and clothing	3	132.8	132.0	128.2
Pulp and paper	7	119.2	117.4	119.2
Printing and publishing	5	134.9	134.0	137.3
Primary metals	4	111.1	110.5	113.1
Industrial mines	6	76.4	73.9	77.9
Metal fabricating	9	174.6	166.6	166.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	91.0	89.0	93.5
Petroleum	8	97.4	99.2	101.0
Chemicals	5	118.9	118.4	122.1
Construction	5	179.0	177.6	177.7
Trade	15	96.8	96.0	96.5
Utilities and services	28	80.3	79.7	81.1
Transportation	6	102.2	101.1	104.1
Pipelines	5	68.8	68.8	69.1
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	95.5	95.1	95.7
Telephone	4	85.4	84.4	86.8
Electric power	3	101.3	100.8	100.9
Gas distribution	5	61.6	61.1	61.8
Finances	21	117.2	115.8	120.1
Banks	8	122.8	121.4	126.9
Investment and loan	9	106.6	105.2	107.4
Insurance	4	89.8	87.5	87.2
Mining Index	17	94.7	93.4	89.1
Golds	9	153.9	154.0	141.5
Base metals	8	66.2	64.4	64.0
Uraniums	2	193.7	188.8	185.3
Primary oils and gas index	5	88.7	89.3	93.1

For further information, order the January issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

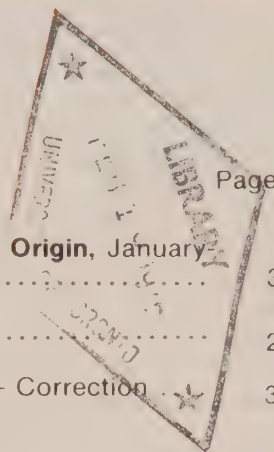
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Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended December 21, 1975 --
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Rail freight loaded in Canada during the period totalled 3.9 million tons (3.5 million metric tonnes), a decrease of 14.6% from the same week of 1974. Loadings dropped 19.3% east of the Lakehead and were down 9.5% in the West.

Piggyback traffic in the third week of December fell 25.7% to 143,765 tons (130 422 metric tonnes). Declines of 25.3% and 26.9% were registered in the East and West, respectively.

In 1975 to date rail carload traffic at 221.8 million tons (201.3 million metric tonnes) was 6.7% below the 1974 level with the eastern region taking the greater share of the loss (7.8%). Cumulative carload tons in the West were down 5.3%.

Piggyback shipments were running 8.1% behind the 1974 pace with loaded tonnages totalling 8.3 million tons (7.5 million metric tonnes). Trailer and container traffic was down 11.5% in the East but up 1.5% in the West.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings 7-day period ending December 21			
	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1975	1,928,966	1,974,744	3,903,710
Short tons, 1974	2,389,770	2,181,912	4,571,682
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 749 929	1 791 458	3 541 387
Metric tonnes, 1974	2 167 963	1 979 397	4 147 360
% change	-19.3	-9.5	-14.6
Cars, 1975	34,292	30,219	64,511
Cars, 1974	43,281	35,398	78,679
% change	-20.8	-14.6	-18.0
Piggyback Traffic*			
Short tons, 1975	109,628	34,137	143,765
Short tons, 1974	146,705	46,727	193,432
Metric tonnes, 1975	99 453	30 969	130 422
Metric tonnes, 1974	133 089	42 390	175 479
% change	-25.3	-26.9	-25.7
Cars, 1975	4,841	1,573	6,414
Cars, 1974	6,020	2,470	8,490
% change	-19.6	-36.3	-24.5
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic			
Short tons, 1975	122,955,548	98,892,953	221,848,501**
Short tons, 1974	133,298,419	104,448,263	237,746,682
Metric tonnes, 1975	111 543 397	89 714 178	201 257 575
Metric tonnes, 1974	120 926 292	94 753 870	215 680 162
% change	-7.8	-5.3	-6.7
Cars, 1975	2,081,096	1,576,053	3,657,149**
Cars, 1974	2,369,278	1,683,993	4,053,271
% change	-12.2	-6.4	-9.8
Piggyback traffic*			
Short tons, 1975	5,875,471	2,382,232	8,257,703**
Short tons, 1974	6,638,730	2,347,415	8,986,145
Metric tonnes, 1975	5 330 138	2 161 125	7 491 263
Metric tonnes, 1974	6 022 555	2 129 539	8 152 094
% change	-11.5	1.5	-8.1
Cars, 1975	246,117	107,677	353,794**
Cars, 1974	294,800	116,857	411,657
% change	-16.5	-7.9	-14.1

* Includes trailers and containers on flat cars. ** Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

Canada's Foreign Trade in Commodities of Agricultural Origin, January-September 1975 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Informat.

Canadian imports of commodities of agricultural origin increased \$142 million or 7% to \$2,235 million in the first nine months of 1975 from \$2,093 million in the comparable period of 1974. Exports, however, were virtually unchanged at \$2,940 million, the surplus falling from \$852 million to \$705 million. The contraction in the balance included a 5% fall in the surplus with overseas countries (down to \$1,388 million) compounded by a 12% rise in the deficit with the United States (up to \$683 million).

Exports

There were fairly large offsetting changes in a variety of commodity groups. A rise of some \$90 million took place in exports of barley to a number of countries including Japan, Italy, West Germany, Iran and Israel. But shipments were lower to Poland and Spain. Exports of cereal preparations gained \$47 million, of which wheat flour represented \$37 million. Flour shipments to Cuba alone increased over \$30 million in the nine months of 1975 over the same period in 1974. Whisky accounted for most of the \$28 million gain in the value of beverages as shipments in 1974 were depressed by production stoppages.

Wheat shipments dropped over \$90 million, including a decline of \$9 million to the U.S. At \$1,400 million, wheat still accounted for a major proportion of total agricultural exports to overseas countries in 1975. But it was down to 58% from 62% in the first nine months of 1974. Some sizable shifts took place in the overseas markets for Canadian wheat as well as volume changes to individual countries between the two reference periods, as seen from the accompanying table.

Wheat exports to Brazil fell \$98 million to \$52 million in 1975 and those to Japan declined \$58 million to \$184 million. In contrast to the value of \$43 million exported to North Korea in the nine months of 1974, there were no shipments in 1975. Smaller decreases were recorded in shipments to several other countries.

Wheat exports to the U.S.S.R. rose \$79 million to \$82 million. This was still much lower than the \$186 million shipped during the first nine months of 1973. Wheat shipments to Iraq were valued at \$45 million in 1975, in contrast to no shipments for the same period of 1974. The value of wheat exports to the United Kingdom rose \$60 million to \$181 million. The value of shipments to the People's Republic of China was virtually unchanged at \$259 million in 1975, that country remaining the single most important buyer of Canada's wheat.

The \$27 million decrease in exports of oil seeds resulted from a drop of \$43 million in flaxseed shipments. There were partial offsets in exports of rapeseed (up \$21 million) and mustard seed. Flaxseed exports were lower to the Netherlands, to other European countries and to Japan. The value of rapeseed exports to Japan rose some \$30 million.

Most of the \$24 million decline in exports of dairy produce, eggs and honey was due to skim milk shipments, which fell some \$10 million each to the U.S. and to other countries.

Exports of live animals to the U.S. fell by \$30 million and imports dropped by \$26 million. While the number of live cattle imported remained virtually unchanged at some 95,600 head in 1975, the number exported fell by two-thirds from the first nine months of 1974. Dairy cattle exports were down 30,200 head and those of other cattle up to 700 pounds in weight were down 63,000. However, larger animals increased by nearly 15,100.

Exports of fresh meat to the U.S. declined \$18 million but imports rose \$34 million. In trade with overseas countries,

however, exports of Canadian meat increased \$21 million. But imports of beef, mutton and meat products mainly from Australia and New Zealand fell \$23 million. Exports of fresh pork to Japan increased some \$29 million.

Imports

Over three-fourths of the \$112 million rise in imports of sugar and sugar preparations was in raw sugar. Total value increases were distributed over shipments from a number of countries including Mauritius, South Africa, Cuba, the Dominican Republic and Guatemala. The over-all volume of imports, however, declined 7%. The average price of sugar accordingly rose close to 50% from \$17.62 in the first nine months of 1974 to \$25.97 per hundredweight, at the point of shipment overseas, in the comparable period of 1975.

Imports of fruits and vegetables and their preparations rose \$86 million, with three-fourths of the increase originating in the U.S. Receipts of green, roasted or ground coffee from this country increased some \$17 million.

About 70% of the \$46 million fall in imports of cereals from the U.S. was due to reduced receipts of shelled corn in 1975, down from very high levels a year before. Soy bean oil and raw cotton were largely responsible for import declines from the U.S. of \$16 million in oils and fats and of \$20 million in cotton and other crude fibres.

In an analysis of exports to the U.S. of products of agricultural origin by stage of fabrication, the share of end products (including whisky) represented 47% in 1975 (38.5% in the first nine months of 1974); and the proportions for crude and fabricated materials were 44% and 9%, respectively. Among exports to other countries, 89% was crude materials, 8.5% fabricated materials and 2.5% finished goods.

Some two-thirds of agricultural products imported from the U.S. was in the form of crude materials compared with 32.5% from other countries. Fabricated materials represented 14.5% and 38.5% of the imports from the U.S. and other countries, respectively. Finished goods accounted for 18% and 29% of agricultural imports in 1975 respectively from the U.S. and other countries.

Available measures of price changes of agricultural products in international trade suggest that price fluctuations in exports were less wide than those in imports. But since the observation is based on a current weighted index, changes may reflect both the movement in prices themselves and also in the relative importance of the commodities to which they relate. Among some important agricultural commodities, the following price changes were noted. The unit values of barley and rapeseed were up 4% and 10%, respectively, while those for wheat were down about 3%. Export meat prices increased close to 20% but average import prices declined 30%. Imported fruit and vegetable prices rose some 15% and raw sugar prices averaged roughly 50% higher in 1975 over the first nine months of 1974.

For further information, contact P. Wang (613-996-0170), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 4 & 5)

Federal Government Employment, Second Quarter 1975 - Correction.

Total payroll for federal government employees for the second quarter of 1975 was \$1,462.4 million, an increase of \$225.6 million from the second quarter of 1974. This increase was incorrectly listed as \$255.6 million in the *Daily* of December 30, 1975.

Exports of Wheat

(\$ millions)

	January 1974	September 1975	Change
United Kingdom	121	181	60
Italy	103	87	-16
U.S.S.R.	3	82	79
Algeria	84	69	-15
Iraq	—	45	45
People's Republic of China	262	259	-3
Japan	242	184	-58
North Korea	43	—	-43
India	29	51	22
Brazil	150	52	-98
Other Countries	460	396	-64
Total	1,497	1,406	-91

Trade by Stage of Fabrication

	Exports		Imports	
	1974	1975 (%)	1974	1975
United States				
Crude materials	51.6	44.2	70.5	67.3
Fabricated materials	10.0	8.9	15.5	14.5
Finished goods	38.4	46.9	14.0	18.2
Total agricultural products	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Value (\$000)	542.2	511.4	1,153.3	1,194.2
Other Countries				
Crude materials	89.7	88.7	38.2	32.7
Fabricated materials	8.2	8.6	34.2	38.5
Finished goods	2.1	2.7	27.6	28.8
Total agricultural products	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Value (\$000)	2,403.0	2,428.7	939.9	1,040.9

Canada's Foreign Trade in Agricultural Products

(\$ millions)

	U.S.A. (January-December) 1974	Other Countries (January-December) 1974	U.S.A. (January-September) 1974	1975	Other Countries (January-September) 1974	1975	Change between 9-months periods U.S.A.	Other Countries
Domestic Exports								
Live animals	72.3	17.4	58.0	28.5	13.0	11.7	-29.5	-1.3
Meat and meat preparations	70.4	80.2	54.9	37.2	61.2	82.2	-17.7	21.0
Dairy produce, eggs, and honey	24.2	52.8	21.5	7.4	34.0	23.6	-14.1	-10.4
Barley	55.9	267.5	28.8	38.5	173.2	255.0	9.7	81.8
Wheat	15.3	2,034.4	15.2	6.0	1,481.9	1,400.1	-9.2	-81.9
Cereal preparations	59.1	100.2	43.9	45.8	75.6	121.1	1.9	45.5
Fruits and vegetables and preparations	48.8	58.1	35.9	29.2	39.7	44.3	-6.7	4.6
Other food products	34.0	45.1	24.7	33.5	31.6	49.1	8.8	17.6
Feed	35.5	60.2	27.0	28.1	40.7	28.9	1.1	-11.8
Seeds, oil seeds, nuts and kernels	31.4	373.8	23.1	20.3	275.5	251.3	-2.8	-24.2
Oils and fats	5.2	57.2	4.0	2.7	44.7	39.3	-1.3	-5.4
Other crude animal and vegetable products	77.6	75.3	61.6	61.1	62.9	55.7	-0.5	-7.2
Beverages	199.0	7.3	141.2	169.2	5.8	6.0	27.9	0.2
Tobacco	3.0	72.3	2.4	4.0	63.2	60.4	1.6	-2.8
Total	731.7	3,301.6	542.2	511.4	2,403.0	2,428.7	-30.8	25.7
Imports								
Live animals	99.8	9.5	74.7	48.8	8.2	9.5	-25.9	1.3
Meat and meat preparations	80.0	115.1	49.8	83.4	91.7	68.7	33.6	-23.0
Dairy produce, eggs and honey	17.3	69.1	12.9	15.0	41.7	38.0	2.1	-3.7
Cereals and cereal preparations	227.7	18.0	177.6	132.8	13.4	11.9	-44.8	-1.6
Fruits and fruit preparations	255.3	132.3	181.8	214.7	92.9	111.1	33.0	18.1
Vegetables and vegetable preparations	192.2	69.2	142.7	173.3	45.6	49.7	30.6	4.2
Sugar and sugar preparations	60.8	447.3	33.1	51.7	260.6	354.4	18.6	93.8
Coffee, tea, cocoa and chocolate	62.5	149.5	45.0	62.4	114.8	119.6	17.5	4.7
Feed	78.5	0.9	59.2	63.8	0.7	0.7	4.7	—
Other food products	90.4	58.9	59.7	67.9	45.3	40.3	8.3	-5.1
Oil seeds, nuts, and kernels	128.9	2.4	100.1	94.8	2.0	3.4	-5.3	1.4
Oils and fats	74.7	47.1	58.2	42.2	30.2	30.1	-16.1	-0.2
Fur skins and other crude products	59.1	30.5	48.3	42.5	25.9	23.6	-5.8	-2.4
Other crude vegetable products	50.5	56.5	40.1	46.1	45.7	33.8	6.0	-11.9
Cotton and other crude fibres	73.0	32.9	58.0	38.3	27.4	21.7	-19.7	-5.8
Beverages and tobacco	16.4	142.6	12.2	16.4	93.6	124.5	4.2	30.9
Total	1,567.0	1,382.8	1,153.3	1,194.2	939.9	1,040.9	40.9	100.9
Balance	-835.3	1,918.9	-611.1	-682.8	1,463.1	1,387.8		

(Components may not add to totals due to rounding).

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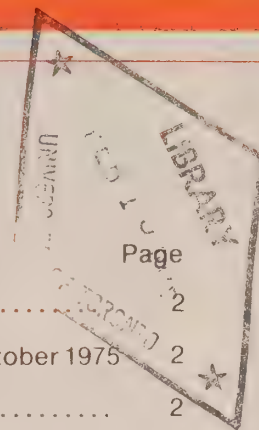
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Sales Financing, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Sales finance companies purchased \$228.5 millions of retail finance paper during October, an increase of 7.8% compared with the \$211.9 million in October 1974. The total purchases comprised \$66.8 million for passenger cars, \$28.4 million for other consumer goods, \$76.4 million for commercial vehicles and \$56.8 million for other commercial and industrial goods. Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the third quarter amounted to \$1,607.0 million, an increase of 10.4% over the \$1,455.5 million financed during the corresponding quarter of 1974.

For further information, order the October issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, October 1975 — Advance Information.

The preliminary estimate of manufacturers' shipments in October, seasonally adjusted, was \$7,205.1 million, 0.7% higher than the revised September estimate of \$7,156.0 million. Durable goods shipments increased 1.1% to \$3,288.5 million from \$3,253.1 million while non-durable goods shipments rose 0.4% to \$3,916.6 million from \$3,902.9 million.

New orders in October, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$7,245.0 million, 1.2% higher than the revised September value of \$7,161.3 million. Durable goods new orders rose 3.5% to \$3,329.4 million from \$3,217.7 million while non-durable goods new orders dropped 0.7% to \$3,915.6 million from \$3,943.6 million.

Total unfilled orders were up 0.4% to \$9,893.1 million from \$9,853.2 million.

Total inventory owned in October dropped 0.3% to \$15,065.3 million from \$15,106.5 million in September. Total inventory held decreased 0.2% to \$15,750.2 million from \$15,786.2 million with a decrease of 1.3% in raw materials and increases of 0.9% and 0.4% in goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments was 2.09:1, down from the revised September ratio of 2.11:1. The ratio of finished products to shipments remained the same at 0.69:1 for both months.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in October were estimated at \$7,747.4 million, 3.4% higher than the revised September value of \$7,493.1 million. Increases ranged from 9.4% in Nova Scotia to 1.0% in Saskatchewan. Manitoba and Alberta shipments showed declines of 2.5% and 2.6%, respectively. Cumulative shipments for the first 10 months of 1975 were estimated at \$70,407.6 million, 5.9% higher than the corresponding 1974 value of \$66,470.4 million.

For further information, order the October issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

(see tables on next page)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, November 1975 — Advance Information.

The number of new motor vehicles sold in November reached 112,982 units, up 36.0% from November 1974. This included 76,208 passenger cars (up 44.9%) and 24,889 commercial vehicles (up 30.2%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 10,716 passenger cars (up 6.0%) and 1,169 commercial vehicles (down 6.6%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 59.1% to \$649.6 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$420.1 million (up 75.5%) and commercial vehicles for \$175.4 million (up 40.9%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 22.9% to \$49.0 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 9.5% to \$5.0 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 252 units of coaches and buses valued at \$7.7 million.

Seasonally adjusted November sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 3.8% from October to 78,923 units and those of passenger cars from overseas increased 13.5% to 11,990 units. Similarly adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 1.8% to 28,413 units.

For the 11 months, total sales reached 1,201,020 units (1,181,436 in 1974), with an accumulated value of \$6,594.0 million. This represented an increase of 18.4% in value over sales for the corresponding period the previous year.

For further information, order the November issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9278), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asbestos, November 1975 — Advance Information

Producer shipments of asbestos increased to 152,280 tons in November from 142,503 tons in November 1974. This brought 1975 shipments to 1,023,419 tons from 1,669,962 in 1974.

For further information, order the November issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Roundwood production decreased 41.1% to 1,333,345 cunits in October from 2,263,519 cunits in October 1974. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue decreased 49.5% to 1,315,657 cunits from 2,603,827 and the closing inventory of these two products increased 20.0% to 12,670,712 cunits from 10,563,065. Receipts of wood residue decreased 57.6% to 415,708 cunits from 979,943.

For further information, order the October issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50).

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries
(Based on 1972 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Oct. 1975p	Sept. 1975r	Aug. 1975r	Oct. 1974
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	7,747.4	7,493.1	6,722.1	7,524.7
Non-durables	4,166.9	4,084.0	3,817.0	4,115.8
Durable	3,580.5	3,409.1	2,905.1	3,408.9
New Orders: Total	7,784.9	7,412.4	6,827.2	7,568.8
Non-durable	4,177.8	4,075.4	3,794.7	4,117.0
Durable	3,607.1	3,337.0	3,032.4	3,451.9
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,794.8	9,757.3	9,838.0	10,253.4
Non-durable	1,214.4	1,203.5	1,212.1	1,306.4
Durable	8,580.4	8,553.8	8,626.0	8,947.0
Inventory Owned: Total	14,948.2	15,020.1	15,027.5	13,834.5
Inventory Held: Total	15,681.6	15,749.0	15,741.0	14,362.2
Raw materials	6,791.7	6,867.5	6,870.8	6,415.6
Goods in process	3,994.4	3,970.0	3,901.1	3,565.0
Finished Products	4,895.5	4,911.4	4,969.1	4,381.6
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	7,205.1	7,156.0	7,347.7	6,978.5
Non-durable	3,916.6	3,902.9	3,877.0	3,850.7
Durable	3,288.5	3,253.1	3,470.7	3,127.8
New Orders: Total	7,245.0	7,161.3	7,473.7	7,019.1
Non-durable	3,915.6	3,943.6	3,880.3	3,836.3
Durable	3,329.4	3,217.7	3,593.4	3,182.8
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,893.1	9,853.2	9,847.9	10,338.9
Non-durable	1,243.9	1,244.9	1,204.2	1,340.7
Durable	8,649.2	8,608.3	8,643.7	8,998.2
Inventory Owned: Total	15,065.3	15,106.5	15,034.1	13,909.4
Inventory Held: Total	15,750.2	15,786.2	15,712.1	14,403.9
Raw materials	6,796.2	6,887.3	6,842.8	6,408.7
Goods in process	3,978.6	3,941.3	3,882.6	3,551.4
Finished products	4,975.4	4,957.6	4,986.7	4,443.8
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	2.09	2.11	2.05	1.99
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.64

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Oct. 1975p	Sept. 1975	Not Seasonally Adjusted			
			% change	Jan.-Oct. 1975p	Jan.-Oct. 1974	% change
			(\$ millions)			
Newfoundland	41.7	40.5	2.8	366.6	353.2	3.8
Nova Scotia	158.2	144.6	9.4	1,422.0	1,280.2	11.1
New Brunswick	143.1	141.2	1.3	1,397.6	1,332.8	4.9
Quebec	2,144.9	2,074.3	3.4	19,196.4	18,077.1	6.2
Ontario	4,058.7	3,905.8	3.9	35,943.2	33,879.7	6.1
Manitoba	224.0	229.7	-2.5	2,068.1	1,883.3	9.8
Saskatchewan	90.3	89.4	1.0	861.2	851.0	1.2
Alberta	348.6	357.9	-2.6	3,217.9	2,775.3	15.9
British Columbia	529.6	500.7	5.8	5,851.7	5,964.8	-1.9
Canada*	7,747.4	7,493.1	3.4	70,407.6	66,470.4	5.9

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding

Farm Cash Receipts, January-November, 1975 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Preliminary estimates indicated that during the January-November period of 1975 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$8,926.3 million compared to \$8,668.1 million for the same period of 1974. These estimates included cash receipts from the sale of farm products, Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops, cash advances on farm-stored grains in western Canada and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction was made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the November issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact E.S. Boyko (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-November
(millions of dollars)

	1975	1974
Prince Edward Island	71.8	79.6
Nova Scotia	103.4	94.8
New Brunswick	86.2	95.7
Quebec	1,213.6	1,063.1
Ontario	2,281.6	2,209.8
Manitoba	833.1	818.0
Saskatchewan	2,246.9	2,288.3
Alberta	1,732.0	1,685.0
British Columbia	357.7	333.8
Canada	8,926.3	8,668.1

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), 1975 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily

The following table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and traveling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Revenue vehicle miles run in a revenue service includes miles run empty which were necessary to provide the revenue service.
- The quantity of gas used is down for summer months due to no school bus service.
- The unusually small increase for August was due to a strike at two carriers.

For further information, contact the Chief, Surface Transport Section (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Motor Carriers-Freight, 1974 — Advance Information.

Preliminary results from the Motor Carriers-Freight Survey indicate that approximately 14,000 for-hire trucking firms, excluding household goods movers, grossed \$3,142 million in 1974.

For further information contact the Chief, Surface Transportation Section (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit, November 1975 — Advance Information.

In November 38 urban transit systems collected 101,576,174 initial passenger fares. Their vehicles travelled 27,468,157 vehicle miles and operating revenues amounted to \$29,283,655.

For further information, order the November issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Chief, Surface Transport Section (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), 1975

	Year-to-date	August	September	October	November
Carriers Reporting*		18	Number 18	18	18
Revenue Earned:			Dollars		
Intercity & Rural Services**	101,968,661	13,479,212	9,967,243	8,947,964	8,190,369
Urban-Suburban Services	307,756	32,267	25,375	28,885	24,313
Other Services (e.g. charter)	14,085,624	1,194,961	1,355,355	1,435,431	747,999
Fare Passengers Carried:			Number		
Intercity & Rural Services **	30,341,481	3,191,908	2,850,829	2,794,257	2,545,519
Urban-Suburban Services	864,201	69,208	75,126	74,999	62,537
Other Services (e.g. charter)	2,458,955	245,004	183,560	163,103	111,097
Vehicle Miles:			Number		
Intercity & Rural Services**	105,813,982	12,097,566	9,844,162	9,587,834	8,869,380
Urban-Suburban Services	465,012	29,365	33,008	42,816	34,945
Other Services (e.g. charter)	12,069,929	1,342,276	956,840	1,178,584	692,824
Fuel Consumed:			Gallons		
Diesel Oil	16,760,483	1,931,342	1,539,890	1,501,239	1,357,596
Gasoline	18,658	371	1,995	2,000	2,058

* Data for one passenger bus carrier were not available at the time of this release.

** Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

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Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, December 1975 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

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Cheques Cashed, October 1975 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics, October 1975.

The number of beneficiaries receiving unemployment insurance benefits in October declined 2% to 541,000 from 552,000 in September. Forty-seven percent of the persons drawing benefit were females. Beneficiaries under 25 years of age accounted for 36% of the total. Of those receiving regular benefit with no earnings reported, 8% had top insurable earnings of \$185.

Net unemployment insurance benefits in October declined 18% to \$193 million from \$235 million in September but were 35% higher than those in October 1974. The average weekly payment was \$86.60, an increase of 15% from a year earlier. Payments for the first 10 months of the year amounted to \$2,657 million, 46% more than a year earlier.

Claims filed by persons seeking unemployment insurance benefits in October were 245,000, an increase of 14% from September and 9% from October 1974. Claims received for the first 10 months were 24% more than in 1974 — 2,264,000 in 1975 versus 1,825,000.

The postal disruption which occurred in the latter part of October may have had some effect on the filing and payment of claims.

Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act

	Oct. 1975	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1974	To Date		% Change From		
				1975	1974	Sept. 1975	Oct. 10 Months 1974	1975/74
Benefit Payments								
Gross amount (\$000)	194,813p	236,495	144,720	2,667,594	1,825,994	-18	35	46
Net amount(1) (\$000)	193,326p	234,826r	143,613	2,656,923	1,815,595	-18	35	46
Weeks of benefit (000)	2,250	2,775	1,914	31,775	24,549	-19	18	29
Average weekly benefit (\$)	86.60p	85.23	75.59	83.95	74.38	2	15	13
Claims received (000)	245	215	224	2,264	1,825	14	9	24
Beneficiaries (000)	541p	552p	-2
Claimants (2) at month-end (000)	895	908	679	1,060(3)	826(3)	-1	32	28

(1) After cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments.

(2) These figures are overstated in terms of active files. If claimants do not report that they became re-employed, a period of 5 weeks is allowed to elapse before their claims are transferred to the inactive file.

(3) Monthly average.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised

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Note: The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

For further information, order the October issue of *Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, 40¢/\$4) or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 601.3 million feet board measure of lumber and ties in October 1975, compared to 640.5 million a year earlier. January to October production decreased to 6,087.7 million feet board measure from 7,742.3 million feet board measure for the same period last year.

For further information, order the October issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Mineral Production, 1975 Preliminary Estimate — Advance Information.

Based on an estimate prepared by Statistics Canada, the total value of 1975 mineral production is expected to exceed \$13.4 billion, an all-time high. The metals sector accounts for \$4.8 billion while non-metals amount to \$929 million. The fuels sector provides the largest component value at \$6.8 billion and structural materials accounts for \$807 million.

Values of the leading mineral commodities: crude petroleum \$3,781 million; natural gas \$1,730 million; nickel \$1,109 million; copper \$1,017 million; iron ore \$923 million; zinc \$895 million.

These highlights are taken from the 1975 annual publication *Canada's Mineral Production, Preliminary Estimate* (26-202, 70¢) to be released about the end of January 1976.

Oilseeds, October 1975 — Advance Information.

October crushings of oilseeds, with oil produced and meal produced in brackets (all figures thousands of pounds):

- Soybeans: 159,235 (27,411; 124,169).
- Rapeseed: 84,309 (34,211; 48,109).
- Sunflowerseed: 1,830 (600; 586).

For further information, order the latest quarterly issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact R. Manigone (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Housing Starts and Completions

November 1975 — Advance Information

Dwelling Starts and Completions in Centres of 10,000 Population & Over

November 1975	Starts					Completions				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland.....	75	6	96	58	235	173	2	115	36	326
Prince Edward Island	15	—	—	—	15	32	1	—	108	141
Nova Scotia	155	8	—	227	390	189	42	4	406	641
New Brunswick.....	143	36	10	168	357	272	6	24	102	404
Quebec	2,006	98	51	1,513	3,668	2,268	172	148	2,573	5,161
Ontario	2,408	832	1,358	2,891	7,489	2,402	666	1,455	2,044	6,567
Manitoba	224	73	160	121	578	288	82	6	101	477
Saskatchewan	523	4	18	522	1,067	413	—	45	349	807
Alberta	1,422	111	299	806	2,638	769	115	76	153	1,113
British Columbia	993	110	473	922	2,498	1,243	164	195	1,813	3,415
Canada	7,964	1,278	2,465	7,228	18,935	8,049	1,250	2,068	7,685	19,052
Metropolitan Areas										
Calgary	480	32	42	103	657	296	68	—	36	400
Chicoutimi-Jonquiere	82	—	—	160	242	88	—	—	—	88
Edmonton.....	761	64	257	618	1,700	290	34	76	53	453
Halifax	115	8	—	75	198	113	42	4	378	537
Hamilton	133	15	260	805	1,213	255	16	103	—	374
Hull	84	2	—	—	86	156	2	142	322	622
Kitchener	214	50	35	74	373	142	25	46	282	495
London	216	22	100	134	472	135	46	161	—	342
Montreal	1,308	80	21	660	2,069	1,246	138	6	1,418	2,808
Ottawa	61	69	143	487	760	160	84	405	375	1,024
Quebec	174	8	30	261	473	334	16	—	277	627
Regina	229	—	—	414	643	153	—	45	283	481
St. Catharines-Niagara	189	44	—	36	269	153	58	132	—	343
Saint-John	84	22	10	132	248	108	6	24	90	228
St. John's	65	6	66	48	185	153	—	99	36	288
Saskatoon.....	95	4	—	108	207	106	—	—	66	172
Sudbury	60	22	—	—	82	95	2	—	—	97
Thunder Bay	56	—	—	6	62	62	6	—	—	68
Toronto	840	367	346	440	1,993	580	282	393	789	2,044
Vancouver	711	64	334	459	1,568	706	74	117	1,682	2,579
Victoria	94	6	—	199	299	181	10	—	64	255
Windsor	34	6	13	45	98	98	—	4	20	122
Winnipeg.....	206	73	160	60	499	268	82	6	—	356
Sub-Total	6,291	964	1,817	5,324	14,396	5,878	991	1,763	6,171	14,803
Major Urban Areas	721	187	409	1,049	2,366	900	192	118	788	1,998
Other Areas 10,000 +	952	127	239	855	2,173	1,271	67	187	726	2,251
All Areas 10,000 +	7,964	1,278	2,465	7,228	18,935	8,049	1,250	2,068	7,685	19,052

For further information, order *Housing Starts and Completions*, November 1975 (64-002, \$3 \$3.60 outside Canada).

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Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries, 1973 (36-203, \$1.40)

Salt, November 1975 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Financial Flow Accounts, Preliminary Data, Third Quarter 1975 (13-002-p, N/C)

Real Domestic Product by Industry (1971=100), 1971-1974 (61-213, Free to Subscribers)

Stone Products Manufacturers, 1973 (44-213, 70¢/\$7)

Asbestos, November 1975 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Hardboard, November 1975 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, November 1975 (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletin:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for the series): Abrasives Manufacturers (44-202-p).

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Service Bulletin:

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 4, No. 56, Sanitaryware, November 1975.

Motor Vehicle Shipments, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Production of passenger cars totalled 99,815 units in November compared to 108,116 units one year earlier. January to November production was 962,780 units compared to 1,095,585 units in 1974.

All commercial vehicles totalled 36,887 units compared to 35,607 and 1975 production was 346,679 units compared to 336,989 units a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators were 47,049 compared to 43,601 a year earlier, and month-end stocks totalled 77,044 units, down from 96,036. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers increased to 44,661 from 32,188, and month-end stocks increased to 12,806 from 3,948.

For further information, order the November issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 34,965 units in November, up from 22,421 one year earlier. Conventional washing machine sales were 7,307 units compared to 7,974. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 32,395 units compared to 23,399 units a year earlier. Gas dryer sales on the domestic market were 883 units compared to 1,230.

For further information, order the November issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothing Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Robberies, First Half 1975 — Preliminary Information.

Preliminary figures for the first six months of 1975 show robberies in Canada increased 43.7% to 9,645 from 6,711 in the same period of 1974. Robberies involving firearms increased 43.1% to 3,097 from 2,164, those involving other offensive weapons rose 54.0% to 1,736 from 1,127 and other robberies increased 22.1% to 4,165 from 3,412.

The 1975 figure for Quebec was projected from five months of actual figures and is subject to change.

Provincial and territorial totals, with equivalent 1974 figures in brackets: Newfoundland 21 (25); Prince Edward Island 2 (4); Nova Scotia 176 (119); New Brunswick 44 (46); Quebec 4,807 (3,054); Ontario 2,139 (1,552); Manitoba 333 (281); Saskatchewan 132 (132); Alberta 669 (441); British Columbia 1,306 (1,037); Northwest Territories 8 (6); Yukon Territory 8 (14).

For further information, contact Mr. V. Fitzgibbon (613-995-0855), project manager, Uniform Crime Reporting Program, Judicial Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 10, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended January 10 totalled 270,779 short tons (245 647 metric tonnes), a decrease of 0.1% from the preceding week's total of 271,283 short tons (246 104 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 295,989 tons (268 517 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 148 in the current week, 148.1 a week earlier and 161.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics, October 1975 (73-001-p, N/C)

Estimates of Labour Income, September 1975 (72-005, 40¢/\$4)

Imports by Commodities, October 1975 (65-007, 80¢/\$8)

Summary of External Trade, November 1975 (65-001, 40¢/\$4)

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, September 1975 (66-001, 70¢/\$7)

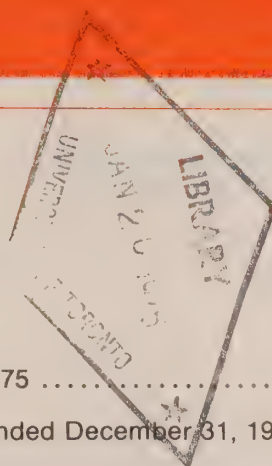
Restaurant Statistics, November 1975 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International payments, Third Quarter 1975 (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Manufacturers of Pharmaceuticals and Medicines, 1973 (46-209, 70¢)

Gas Utilities, September 1975 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)

Electric and Gas Meter Registrations, 1974 (57-201, 70¢)



Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, October 1975 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Mineral Wool, November 1975 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, October 1975 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Telecommunications Statistics, 1974 (56-201, 70¢)

Service Bulletins:

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 5, No. 21, Railway Carloadings, November 1975;

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile (47-001, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 4, No. 11, Floor Tiles, November 1975;

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 4, No. 57, Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools, November 1975.

The Labour Force, December 1975 — Advance Information. Employment and unemployment both decreased slightly in December, giving a seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate of 7.1%, down from 7.3% in November. The adjusted rate was 6.0% in December 1974.

The adjusted employment level in December was 9,367,000, down 21,000 from November. The main change was in part-time employment, which decreased by 43,000. There was an increase of 24,000 in full-time employment.

The adjusted unemployment level dipped 21,000 to 713,000 in December. There was little change in unemployment for men 25 years and over but declines for persons 14 to 24 and for women 25 and over.

Without seasonal adjustment, the labour force was estimated at 9,923,000 in December with 9,226,000 employed and 697,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 7.0%. For November, the labour force was 9,972,000 with 9,332,000 employed and 640,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 6.4%. In December 1974, the labour force was 9,715,000 with 9,118,000 employed and 597,000 unemployed for a rate of 6.1%.

Adjusted unemployment rates for the provinces, with November figures in brackets: Newfoundland 17.1% (18.1%); Nova Scotia 8.2% (8.4%); New Brunswick 11.5% (13.5%); Quebec 9.2% (9.2%); Ontario 6.1% (6.0%); Manitoba 3.3% (3.7%); Saskatchewan 3.2% (4.0%); Alberta 2.7% (2.9%); British Columbia 7.5% (8.1%). Because of small sample size in Prince Edward Island estimates of unemployment are subject to wide error and are not published.

For further information, order the December issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

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Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended December 31, 1975 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Freight loaded on railway lines in Canada totalled 4.3 million tons (3.9 million metric tonnes) in the period and 226.1 million tons (205.1 million metric tonnes) in the year 1975 as a whole. In comparison with the preceding year this represented a decrease of 7.5% in loadings for the last 10 days of 1975 and an annual decline of 6.7%.

Piggyback traffic in the current 10 days was down 4.6% from 1974. For the year these shipments fell 8.9%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3), or for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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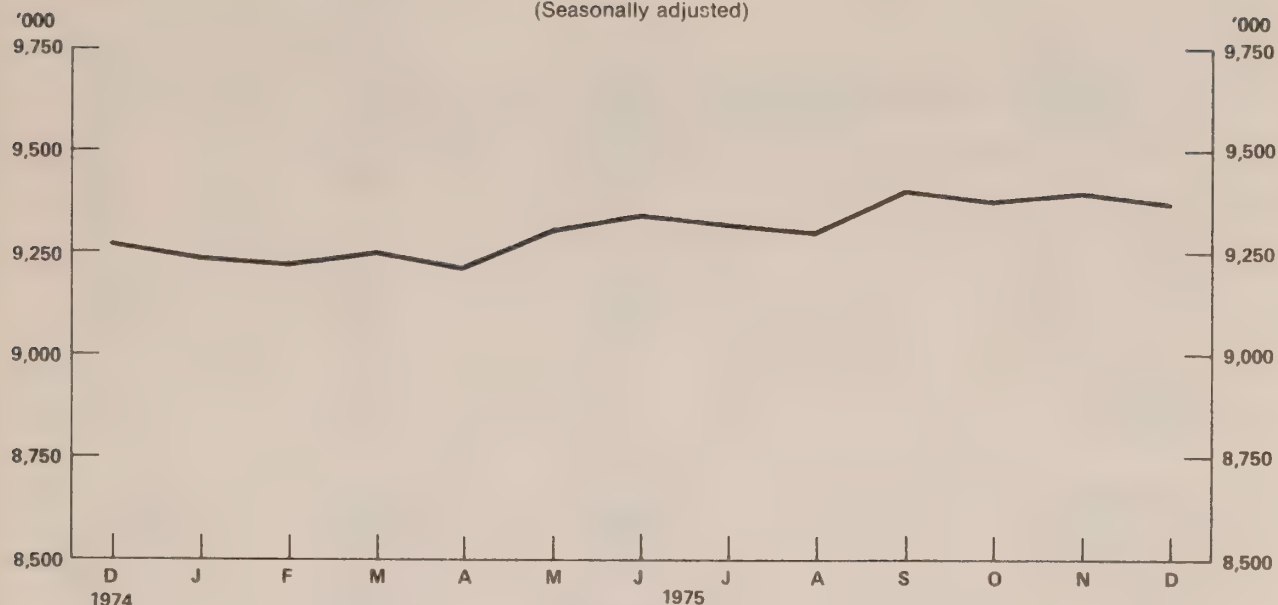
Production of Eggs and Poultry, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian egg production declined 5.0% to 35.1 million dozen in November from 37.0 million a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 6.6% to 23.5 million from 25.2 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 1.6% to 1,792 from 1,763. Farm price of eggs sold for market was up 8.8% to 61.7¢ a dozen from 56.7¢.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact S.M. Ashraf (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

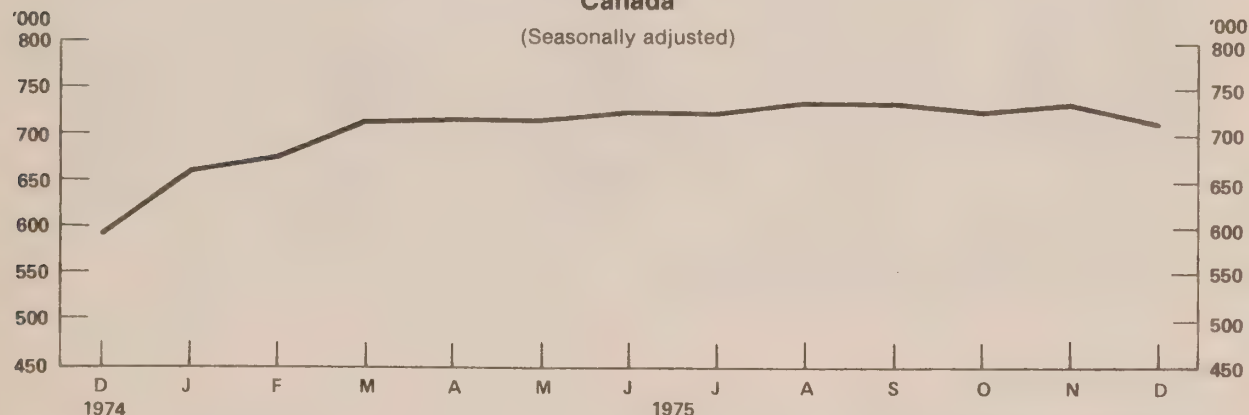
Employment Canada

(Seasonally adjusted)



Unemployment Canada

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Mortality (Preliminary Data), 1974 — Advance Information.

In 1974 there were 166,786 Canadian resident deaths registered in Canada, a slight increase from 164,082 for 1973. The death rate of 7.4 per 1,000 population remained unchanged from 1973. Similarly, the provincial crude death rates remained essentially unchanged from the previous year, varying from a low of 6.1 per 1,000 population for Newfoundland to a high of 9.3 for Prince Edward Island.

Diseases of the heart continued to be the leading cause of death, accounting for 58,170 deaths or 34.9% of the total. This was a slight proportional increase from 1973. The second leading cause of death was cancer, accounting for 33,751

deaths or 20.2% of all deaths, unchanged from 1973. The number of deaths due to accidents, the third leading cause, decreased to 12,944 in 1974 from 13,167 in 1973 and accounted for 7.8% of all deaths as opposed to 8.0% in 1973. Most of the decrease in the number of accidental deaths resulted from a decrease in the number of traffic fatalities.

For further information, contact Dr. J.S. Cudmore or Mr. J. Silins (613-995-0864), Vital Statistics Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Railway Carloadings
10-day period ending December 31

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1975	2,231,637	2,027,589	4,259,226
Short tons, 1974	2,608,566	1,993,926	4,602,492
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 024 507	1 839 398	3 863 905
Metric tonnes, 1974	2 366 451	1 808 859	4 175 310
% change	-14.4	1.7	-7.5
Cars, 1975	35,143	30,469	65,612
Cars, 1974	42,073	30,815	72,888
% change	-16.5	-1.1	-10.0
Piggyback Traffic*:			
Short tons, 1975	111,731	42,368	154,099
Short tons, 1974	120,469	41,111	161,580
Metric tonnes, 1975	101 361	38 436	139 797
Metric tonnes, 1974	109 288	37 295	146 583
% change	-7.3	3.1	-4.6
Cars, 1975	4,552	1,850	6,402
Cars, 1974	5,130	2,036	7,166
% change	-11.3	-9.1	-10.7

Year-to-date

Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1975	125,187,185	100,920,542	226,107,727
Short tons, 1974	135,906,985	106,442,189	242,349,174
Metric tonnes, 1975	113 567 904	91 553 576	205 121 480
Metric tonnes, 1974	123 292 743	96 562 730	219 855 473
% change	-7.9	-5.2	-6.7
Cars, 1975	2,116,239	1,606,522	3,722,761
Cars, 1974	2,411,351	1,714,808	4,126,159
% change	-12.2	-6.3	-9.8
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1975	5,987,202	2,424,600	8,411,802
Short tons, 1974	6,759,199	2,388,526	9,147,725
Metric tonnes, 1975	5 431 498	2 199 560	7 631 058
Metric tonnes, 1974	6 131 842	2 166 834	8 298 676
% change	-11.4	1.5	-8.0
Cars, 1975	250,669	109,527	360,196
Cars, 1974	299,930	118,893	418,823
% change	-16.4	-7.9	-14.0

* Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

** Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

Deaths by Province

Province	1974		1973	
	Deaths	Rate per 1,000 population	Deaths	Rate per 1,000 population
Newfoundland	3,286	6.1	3,448*	6.4
Prince Edward Island	1,088	9.3	1,020	8.9
Nova Scotia	6,899	8.5	6,928	8.6
New Brunswick	5,203	7.9	5,084	7.8
Quebec	42,767	7.0	42,666	7.0
Ontario	60,555	7.5	59,876	7.5
Manitoba	8,429	8.3	8,196	8.2
Saskatchewan	7,813	8.6	7,646	8.4
Alberta	11,253	6.6	10,763	6.4
British Columbia	19,173	8.0	18,095	7.8
Yukon	114	5.9	111	5.6
Northwest Territories	206	5.5	249	6.6
Total	166,786	7.4	164,082	7.4

* Includes 43 deaths in 1973 for which registrations were received too late to be included in 1973 statistics.

Hospital Indicators

Because of the postal strike, the third quarter issue of *Hospital Indicators* (83-001, \$1.75/\$7) will not be available. Full details for 1975 will be published in the fourth quarter issue, due for release in May 1976.

For further information, contact Marcel Brochu (613-995-0991), Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Advance Trade Information

Full details on commodity-country export trade for November are now available, in advance of the regular publication *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Copper and Copper Alloy Rolling, Casting and Extruding, 1973 (41-224, 70¢)

Knitting Mills, 1973 (34-215, \$1.05)

Greenhouse Industry, 1973-1974 (22-202, 70¢)

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Service Bulletin:

Metals and Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 3, No. 13, Consumption of Ferro-alloys and Addition Agents, 1974.

Consumer Price Movements, December 1975 — Advance Information

The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) edged up 0.1% to 144.3 in December from 144.1 in November, its smallest month-to-month rise since October 1972. This slowing of the rate of increase in the all-items index was largely, but not entirely, due to a 0.7% decline in the level of food prices. The housing component, which moved up by 0.9% from the preceding month, was mainly responsible for the latest over-all advance, with an increase in the clothing index contributing to a lesser extent. In contrast to the decline in the food index, the index for all items excluding food increased 0.5%.

Because of the deceleration of price rises at year-end, the index stood 9.5% above its December 1974 level, the first occasion in nearly two years that any 12-month change in the CPI has registered less than 10%. Comparisons of CPI changes between corresponding months of 1974 and 1975, as well as the annual average change between 1974 and 1975 amounting to 10.8%, are shown in an accompanying table.

Consumer Price Index (1971=100)

Month	1974	1975	Change (%)
January	118.1	132.4	12.1
February	119.3	133.4	11.8
March	120.5	134.1	11.3
April	121.4	134.8	11.0
May	123.4	135.9	10.1
June	125.0	137.9	10.3
July	125.9	139.8	11.0
August	127.1	141.2	11.1
September	127.9	141.5	10.6
October	129.1	142.8	10.6
November	130.5	144.1	10.4
December	131.8	144.3	9.5
Annual Average	125.0	138.5	10.8

Lower prices for pork products, and for beef to a lesser extent, were major contributing factors to the 0.7% decline in the food index. A downward influence was also exerted by price decreases reported for fresh fruit, for most cereal and bakery products and for soft drinks consumed at home. Sugar prices and those in the fats and oils category continued to decline as they have throughout most of 1975. Partially offsetting these decreases were higher prices for some fresh vegetables and for restaurant meals.

Increased shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation and higher prices associated with the operation of the household accounted for much of the 0.5% increase in the index for all items excluding food. This included the impact of higher domestic gas rates in both Vancouver and Montreal. Increased dry cleaning charges and higher prices for appliances also contributed to this advance.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, inclusive of food, declined 0.1% while that for services increased 0.9%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items index advanced 0.3% from November to December. This included an 0.4% decline in the food index and a 0.6% increase for all items excluding food.

In December, the current annual rate of change in the CPI, based on the seasonally-adjusted movement since three months earlier was 10.0%, down from the 11.0% rate recorded in November.

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Electric Power Statistics, November 1975 — Advance Information.

In November net generation decreased to 22.9 billion kwh from 23.8 billion kwh in November 1974. Hydro generation decreased 7.3% while thermal production increased 7.5%.

For further information, order the November issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian mills shipped 139,661,000 sq. ft. (3/8" basis) of softwood plywood in October, down from 155,370,000 sq. ft. in October 1974.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 30,694,000 sq. ft. surface measure, an increase of 42.3% over October 1974.

For further information, order the October issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industry Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,787 short tons (3 436 metric tonnes) or 7,865,226 square feet (730 703 square metres) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in November compared to 5,923 tons (5 373 metric tonnes) or 12,396,159 square feet (1 151 641 square metres) in November 1974.

For further information, order *Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile — Service Bulletin* (47-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388).

Industrial Chemicals, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Manufacturers shipped 49,668,916 pounds of polyethylene type synthetic resins in November, up from 43,446,050 pounds a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sugar Sales, December 1975 — Advance Information

For December Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 123,340,600 pounds of all types of sugar, 108,600,731 pounds in domestic sales and 14,739,869 pounds in export sales.

For further information, order the December issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50).

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1975		1974	December 1975 from		December 1974	
		Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov. 1975	Dec. 1974	Nov. 1975	Dec. 1974
All-items	100	144.3	144.1	131.8	0.1	9.5	100	100
Food	28	167.2	168.3	153.4	-0.7	9.0	-100	27
All items excluding food	72	136.4	135.7	124.3	0.5	9.7	200	73
Housing	32	140.5	139.3	126.8	0.9	10.8	162	36
Clothing	10	128.2	127.5	122.9	0.5	4.3	30	4
Transportation	14	136.5	136.3	121.4	0.1	12.4	9	18
Health and personal care	4	138.6	138.6	125.5	0.0	10.4	0	5
Recreation, education and reading	6	131.9	132.2	122.6	-0.2	7.6	-6	5
Tobacco and alcohol	6	128.2	128.0	118.2	0.2	8.5	5	5
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	—	0.69	0.69	0.76				
All items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961-100								192.5

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1974.

Construction Price Statistics, October-December 1975 — Advance Information.**New Housing Price Indexes**

(1971=100)

	December 1975	November 1975	October 1975	September 1975	% Change
					December '75 December '74
Montreal	193.6	193.1	193.1	192.4	4.4
Winnipeg	188.3	187.2	185.4	185.4	9.5
Calgary	213.8	213.8	207.7	204.2	23.4

Figures for 1975 and revised figures for 1974 for the Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Price Index are also now available. For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. R.J. Lowe (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada

	All-items		Food		All-items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted
1973						
May	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8
June	0.9	0.7	1.9	1.6	0.6	0.5
July	0.9	0.5	1.9	0.9	0.5	0.3
August	1.3	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.5	0.6
September	0.6	1.0	0.9	2.0	0.5	0.6
October	0.3	0.5	-0.3	0.6	0.6	0.4
November	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.6	0.5	0.7
December	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7
1974						
January	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.5
February	1.0	1.1	2.3	1.9	0.5	0.8
March	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.5	0.8	0.7
April	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.0	1.0	1.0
May	1.6	1.6	2.9	2.8	1.2	1.1
June	1.3	1.1	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.3
July	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.5
August	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.2	0.8	0.9
September	0.6	0.9	0.4	1.4	0.6	0.7
October	0.9	1.2	1.4	2.3	0.7	0.7
November	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.1
December	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.6	0.8	0.9
1975						
January	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.6
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.8
March	0.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.5
June	1.5	1.4	3.2	3.0	0.8	0.8
July	1.4	1.0	2.3	1.2	1.0	0.9
August	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.9
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.2	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.4	1.1	1.0
November	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.0
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.6

Prices and Price Indexes, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

	Number stocks priced	Jan. 9/76 This week	Jan. 2/76 Week ago	Dec. 12/75 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	100.3	97.6	97.5
Industrials	85	102.3	98.9	98.7
Foods	9	92.6	90.6	89.6
Alcoholic beverages	5	90.8	85.9	86.8
Textiles and clothing	3	135.1	132.8	130.2
Pulp and paper	7	121.9	119.2	117.6
Printing and publishing	5	138.0	134.9	135.2
Primary metals	4	112.8	111.1	113.0
Industrial mines	6	81.0	76.4	75.1
Metal fabricating	9	177.9	174.6	167.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	91.7	91.0	91.6
Petroleum	8	100.3	97.4	100.1
Chemicals	5	120.2	118.9	119.4
Construction	5	182.6	179.0	176.7
Trade	15	99.0	96.8	95.7
Utilities and services	28	82.2	80.3	80.1
Transportation	6	104.8	102.2	101.6
Pipelines	5	70.1	68.8	68.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	97.8	95.5	94.7
Telephone	4	86.6	85.4	85.6
Electric power	3	103.1	101.3	99.3
Gas distribution	5	64.9	61.6	61.6
Finances	21	118.1	117.2	117.6
Banks	8	123.5	122.8	123.7
Investment and loan	9	108.0	106.6	106.3
Insurance	4	91.5	89.8	86.9
Mining Index	17	95.4	94.7	88.3
Golds	9	151.8	153.9	139.1
Base metals	8	68.3	66.2	64.0
Uraniums	2	203.1	193.7	190.9
Primary oils and gas index	5	90.7	88.7	90.6

For further information, order the January issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Building Permits, October 1975 — Advance Information.

September 1975	Total number of dwelling units	Value of residential and non-residential construction				Total
		Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$'000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	
Newfoundland	82	2,012	899	5,216	940	9,067
Prince Edward Island	122	3,158	152	3,418	3,018	9,746
Nova Scotia	817	18,208	3,247	10,213	1,245	32,913
New Brunswick	407	8,763	1,205	2,490	11,241	23,699
Quebec	5,199	121,140	20,825	43,606	26,304	211,875
Ontario	8,942	250,775	70,669	74,054	67,967	463,465
Manitoba	958	21,485	2,572	6,771	1,112	31,940
Saskatchewan	1,159	32,070	891	9,445	5,125	47,531
Alberta	4,265	108,845	5,299	28,541	14,150	156,835
British Columbia	2,914	81,667	7,154	19,906	21,656	130,383
Yukon	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northwest Territories	5	190	280	98	—	568
Canada — Unadjusted	24,870	648,313	113,193	203,758	152,758	1,118,022
Canada — Adjusted	N/A	559,321	96,228	208,873	117,290	981,712
Metropolitan Areas	16,132	426,327	52,815	149,211	111,431	739,784
Calgary	1,323	31,766	262	4,796	646	37,470
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	337	7,364	530	3,567	2	11,463
Edmonton	1,854	46,111	3,214	14,000	3,495	66,820
Halifax	226	6,824	253	7,219	61	14,357
Hamilton	160	5,584	427	4,492	649	11,152
Hull	64	1,591	—	952	—	2,543
Kitchener	308	8,780	1,487	2,050	685	13,002
London	325	13,549	1,411	3,066	270	18,296
Montreal	2,860	64,474	16,042	18,592	21,633	120,741
Ottawa	300	10,395	1,384	8,741	1,809	22,329
Quebec	573	15,912	1,066	9,068	2,229	28,275
Regina	402	12,568	412	2,706	1,530	17,216
St. Catharines-Niagara	336	9,982	496	5,032	1,697	17,207
Saint-John	199	4,023	576	508	5,415	10,522
St. John's	54	1,261	—	5,118	900	7,279
Saskatoon	430	9,178	133	3,870	3,361	16,542
Sudbury	103	3,291	311	739	588	4,929
Thunder Bay	65	2,183	607	1,222	332	4,344
Toronto	3,803	103,470	16,324	30,827	48,745	199,366
Vancouver	1,103	36,761	4,688	13,438	15,577	70,464
Victoria	363	9,338	297	1,558	181	11,374
Windsor	120	4,121	467	1,709	520	6,817
Winnipeg	824	17,801	2,428	5,941	1,106	27,276

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Service Bulletins:

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Aviation (51-004, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 8: No. 1, Aircraft Movement Statistics, October 1975; No. 2, Canada-U.S.A. Scheduled Air Passenger Origin and Destination, 2nd Quarter of 1974 and 1975;

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 4, No. 11, Tobacco Stocks — Stocks of Unmanufactured Tobacco in Canada, June 30, 1975.



Retail Trade, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales were \$4,338.3 million in October, an increase of 3.2% from \$4,204.7 million recorded in September. Sales increased in 21 of the 28 trade groups. Automotive parts and accessories recorded the largest increase, 26.3%, while household furniture stores recorded the largest decrease, 8.2%. All provinces recorded increased sales over September, ranging from a high of 8.9% for Manitoba to 1.8% for Quebec.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$4,640.1 million in October, an increase of 17.4% over October 1974. Sales increased in 27 of the 28 trade groups with the largest gains recorded by motor vehicle dealers, 29.9%, and all other food stores, 26.5%. The only decrease was recorded by specialty shoe stores, down 9.7%.

All provinces recorded increases in sales over October 1974, ranging from a high of 25.7% for Alberta to 10.7% for British Columbia. Montreal sales rose 20.5%, Toronto 20.4%, Winnipeg 10.9% and Vancouver 6.5%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for September was \$4,106.3 million, an increase of 12.7% from September 1974.

For further information, order the October issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. B. Thériault (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, January 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 74.5 million pounds on January 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 46.1 million. Stocks of cheddar cheese were down to 65.9 million pounds from 70.4 million. Stocks of skim milk powder increased 141.2% to 328.8 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk decreased 2.6% to 32.5 million. Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at January 1 amounted to 49.6 million pounds compared with last year's total of 90.1 million.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, K1A 0L7.

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Coal and Coke Statistics, October 1975 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)



General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), November 1975 — Advance Information.

The general wholesale price index declined 1.1% in November to 499.0 from the revised October index of 504.5. It was 1.4% higher than a year earlier. Four of the eight major groups decreased. Three increased and one remained the same.

The animal products group index decreased 2.6% to 558.3 from the October index of 573.0, due mainly to price reductions for livestock of 6.1%, fresh meats of 5.9% and cured meats of 4.3%. The vegetable products group index declined 2.1% to 457.8 from 467.8 due to decreases of 9.3% for vegetable oil products, 4.7% for grains, 2.9% for sugar and its products and 2.7% for livestock and poultry feeds.

The wood products group index showed a decrease of 1.5% with a 9.4% decrease for cedar, a 1.5% decrease for fir and a 1.3% decrease for newsprint and wrapping paper. The non-ferrous metals group index decreased 0.3% due to decreases in gold of 4.4% and 1.4% for lead and its products.

The non-metallic minerals group index rose 0.8% in November to 407.4 from 404.0 with increases of 6.3% for natural gas and 2.1% for petroleum and its products. The textile products group index increased 0.6% due to increases of 2.1% for imported raw wool and 1.8% for rayon fabric. The iron products group index increased 0.3% with increases of 1.9% for tinplate and galvanized sheets and 0.8% for hardware. The chemical products group index was unchanged.

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Wholesale Price Indexes
(1935-39=100)

					% Change	
	Nov.* 1975	Oct.* 1975	Nov. 1974	Oct. 1974	Nov./75 Oct./75	Nov./75 Nov./74
General Wholesale Index	499.0	504.5r	492.0	479.2	-1.1	1.4
Vegetable products	457.8	467.8r	569.6	524.2	-2.1	-19.6
Animal products	558.3	573.0r	508.0	497.8	-2.6	9.9
Textile products	417.7	415.3	423.0	426.9	0.6	-1.3
Wood products	647.4	657.1	570.3	566.5	-1.5	13.5
Iron products	536.5	534.9r	479.5	475.5	0.3	11.9
Non-ferrous metals	423.5	424.6	422.4	423.7	-0.3	0.3
Non-metallic minerals	407.4	404.0r	354.8	354.0	0.8	14.8
Chemical products	386.7	386.7	353.4	350.9	—	9.4
Iron and non-ferrous metals (excluding gold)	570.5	569.9	533.9	534.4	0.1	6.9
Raw and partly manufactured goods	475.0	483.7r	500.4	482.1	-1.8	-5.1
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	512.1	515.7r	487.1	477.5	-0.7	5.1

* These indexes are preliminary.

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Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to November were valued at \$1,041.3 million, an increase of 31.0% above the January-November 1974 figure of \$795.0 million. Repair parts for the same period had a value of \$129.5 million.

For further information, order the November issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Y. Lebel (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Provincial Government Finance, 1973-74 — Advance Information.

The 1973-74 gross general revenue of all provinces and territories reached \$22,442 million, 18.7% more than a year earlier. Gross general expenditure was up 15.6% to \$22,043 million.

Further information, including complete provincial breakdowns of revenue and expenditure, will be contained in *Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure, 1973* (68-207, \$2.10). For advance information, contact G.M. Rhéaume (613-995-0718), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Provincial Government Finance, 1973-74

	Revenue 1973/74 (\$ millions)	Change (%)	Expenditure 1973/74 (\$ millions)	Change (%)
Newfoundland	561	19.0	617	16.5
Prince Edward Island	139	22.3	139	23.9
Nova Scotia	779	23.9	785	23.0
New Brunswick	679	20.7	673	15.0
Quebec	6,554	14.3	6,344	13.1
Ontario	7,395	16.3	7,716	15.1
Manitoba	954	13.8	947	17.7
Saskatchewan	896	22.9	801	14.8
Alberta	1,988	36.7	1,743	17.9
British Columbia	2,353	25.2	2,114	20.7
Yukon	41	12.7	44	11.6
North West Territories	102	9.2	120	7.1
Total	22,442	18.7	22,043	15.6

Additional Information

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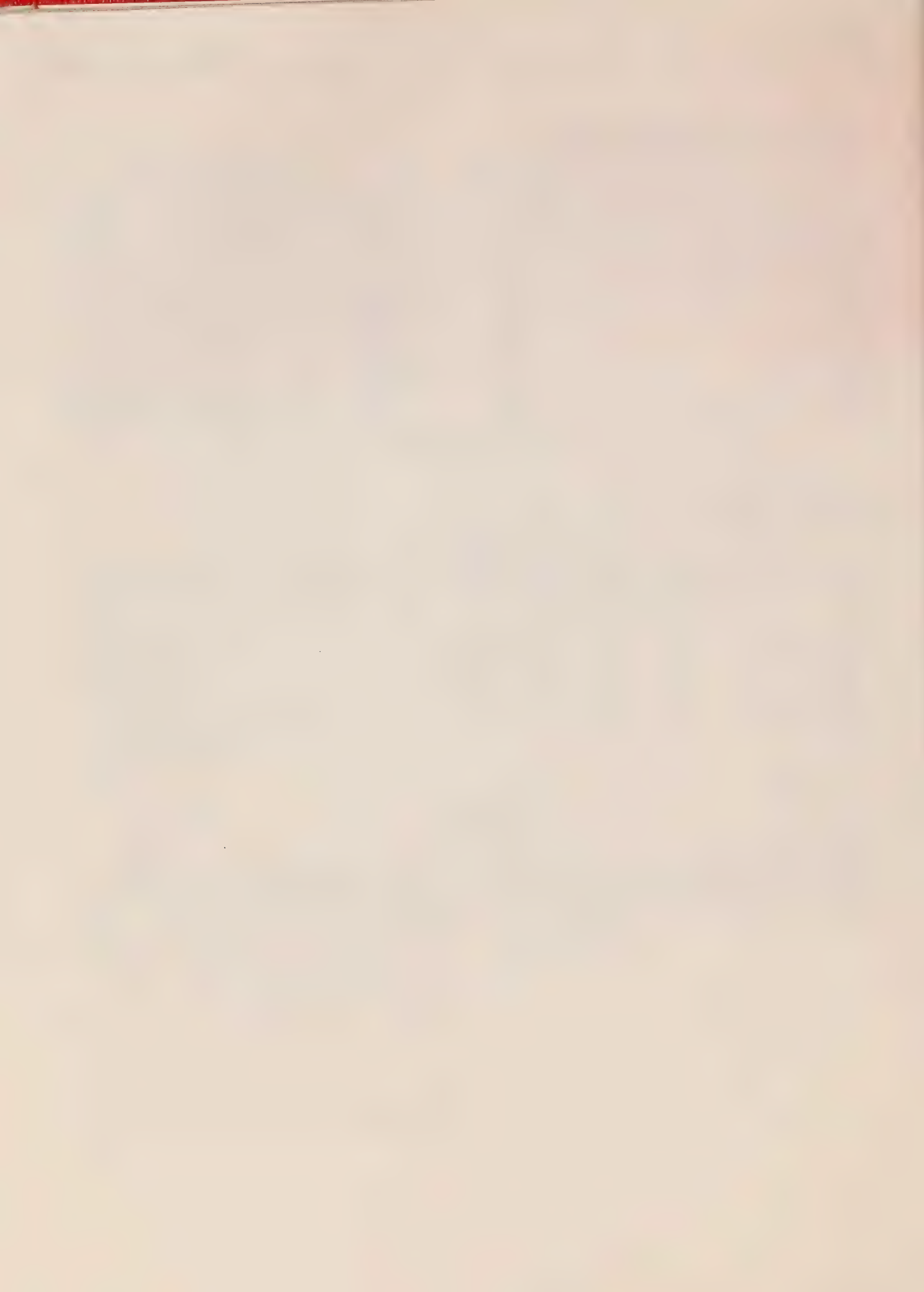
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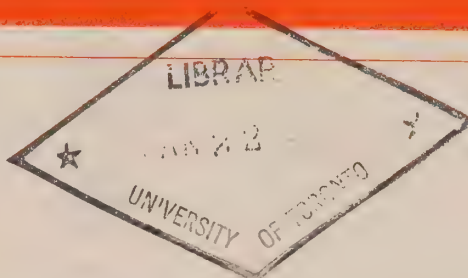
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Teacher Salaries

The first edition of the bulletin *Salaries of Full-time Teaching Staff at Canadian Universities, 1975-76* is now available. For further information please contact Janet Ableson or Louise Desramaux, Post-Secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division (613-995-9790 or 995-9799), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Statistical Report on the Operations of the Unemployment Insurance Act, August 1975 (73-001, 40¢/\$4)

Government Finance 1971-1974 (by quarters) and Third Quarter 1975 (68-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, December 1975 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Commercial Failures, Third Quarter 1975 (61-002, 70¢/\$2.80)

Shipping Statistics, July 1975 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Annual Report of Notifiable Diseases, 1974 (82-201, \$1.05)

Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, September 1975 (51-001, 40¢/\$4)

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended January 7, 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Rail freight loadings fell 12.8% in the first week of January to 2.9 million tons (2.6 million metric tonnes). This represented a reduction from 3.3 million tons (3.0 million metric tonnes) in the same week of 1975. Traffic originated east of the Lakehead was down 7.9% from the 1974 week and in the West loadings dropped 18.3%.

Piggyback movements, in terms of tons, declined 7.6% in Canada. Eastern loadings were down 12.7% but western shipments were up 8.3%.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings 7-day period ending January 7

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	1,613,185	1,263,847	2,877,032
Short tons, 1975	1,751,259	1,546,548	3,297,807
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 463 457	1 146 543	2 610 000
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 588 715	1 403 005	2 991 720
% change	-7.9	-18.3	-12.8
Cars, 1976	25,547	19,837	45,384
Cars, 1975	29,942	23,701	53,643
% change	-14.7	-16.3	-15.4
Piggyback Traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	72,821	28,946	101,767
Short tons, 1975	83,449	26,735	110,184
Metric tonnes, 1976	66 062	26 259	92 321
Metric tonnes, 1975	75 704	24 254	99 958
% change	-12.7	8.3	-7.6
Cars, 1976	2,932	1,296	4,228
Cars, 1975	3,563	1,324	4,887
% change	-17.7	-2.1	-13.5

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Preliminary statistics for November show that 1.9 million United States visitors enter Canada, up 1.2% from November 1974. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.5 million, an increase of 24.7%. Visitors from countries other than the U.S. entering Canada increased 1.1% to 53,400, while Canadian travellers returning from countries other than the U.S. rose 12.8% to 84,600.

For further information, order the November issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Department store sales were \$522.3 million in October, an increase of 17.5% from \$444.5 million in October 1974.

Sales rose in 39 of the 40 departments with only stationery, books and magazines (-1.1%) showing a decrease. The largest sales increases were recorded by food and kindred products (32.8%) and photographic equipment and supplies (31.6%). All provinces reported increased sales over October 1974, ranging from a high of 29.5% for Prince Edward Island to 13.1% for Ontario. Montreal sales rose 21.5%, Toronto 9.6%, Winnipeg 12.8% and Vancouver 16.2%.

The selling value of stocks held was \$1,619.3 million, an increase of 2.7% over October 1974. Inventories increased in 23 departments with the largest increases registered by stationery, books and magazines (39.0%) and millinery (31.7%). The greatest decrease was recorded by meals and lunches (16.0%).

For further information, order the October issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. B. Thériault (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Particle Board, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian firms produced 41,369,000 sq. ft. (5/8" basis) of particle board in November compared to 27,876,000 sq. ft. in November 1974, an increase of 48.4%.

For further information, order the November issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 17, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended January 17 totalled 273,558 short tons (248 168 metric tonnes), a increase of 1.0% from the preceding week's total of 270,779 short tons (245 647 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 278,989 tons (253 095 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 149.3 in the current week, 148.0 a week earlier and 152.3 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Advance Trade Information

Full details on commodity-country import trade for November are now available, in advance of the regular publication *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, 70¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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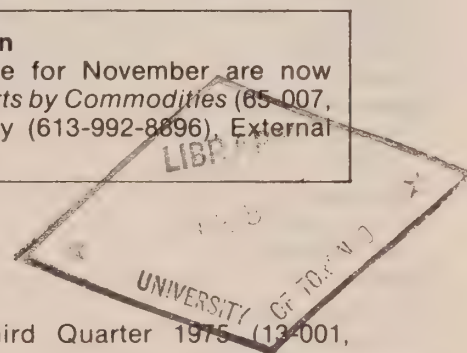
National Income and Expenditure Accounts, Third Quarter 1975 (13-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

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Shipping Report, Part I, 1974 (54-202, \$2.80)

Steel Pipe and Tube Mills, 1973 (41-220, 70¢)

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The Sugar Situation, November 1975 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Motor Vehicle Shipments, November 1975 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, November 1975 (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, December 1975 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, November 1975 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gypsum Products, November 1975 (44-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Chemicals, November 1975 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Energy Statistics (57-002, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 11, No. 1, Fossil Fuel Production and Value, 1974-1975.

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Railway Operating Statistics, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Six major railways in Canada, accounting for about 95% of all railway earnings, reported operating revenues of \$238.0 million in November, an increase of 19.3% over November 1974. Expenses at \$229.7 million were up 15.9% and net income rose to \$8.3 million from \$1.2 million.

Freight ton-miles were down 4.5% in November to 11,416.3 million and freight train-miles dropped 12.6% to 5.6 million. Freight car-miles were down 5.0% at 398.2 million.

Revenue passenger-miles fell 14.1% to 97.2 million with both commuter and non-commuter services registering declines. Passenger car-miles declined 1.1% to 9.2 million.

During the first 11 months of 1975 railway operating revenues increased 17.1%, expenses were up 15.6% and net income was more than three times that reported for the same period of 1974. Cumulative ton-miles in 1975 were down 1.8% and the number of passenger-miles generated were 9.9% off the 1974 pace.

For further information, order the November issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The Motor Vehicle, Part IV, Revenues, 1974 — Advance Information.

Provincial and territorial government revenues from the licensing of vehicles and vehicle operators, and related miscellaneous revenues and motive fuel taxes rose to \$1.983 billion in the 1974 registration year from \$1.923 billion in 1973. Of this amount, \$1.438 billion was obtained from motive fuel taxes, followed by \$489 million derived from vehicle and operator licences. Miscellaneous revenues accounted for \$45.8 million while \$10.8 million was received from public service fees.

Further details can be obtained by contacting K.J. Enright (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Mineral Production, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Primary mineral production for November and 1975 to date, with comparable 1974 figures in brackets;

- Primary copper: 69,374, tons; 719,042 tons (71,202; 823,234).
- Primary nickel: 21,846 tons; 244,964 tons (22,246; 264,335).
- Gold: 118,211 troy ounces; 1,486,781 troy ounces (138,063; 1,540,425).
- Silver: 2,887,855 troy ounces; 35,332,460 troy ounces (2,777,789; 38,788,820).
- Refined lead: 16,254 tons; 168,469 tons (4,053; 122,758).
- Refined zinc: 41,074 tons; 425,765 tons (37,188; 429,254).

For further information, order the November issues of *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50), *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50) and *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Iron Ore, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian mines shipped 5,046,815 tons of iron ore in November compared to 5,884,594 tons a year earlier. This brought 1975 output to 44,509,841 tons compared to 47,632,636 tons in 1974.

For further information, order the November issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Charitable Organizations, 1972 and 1973 — Advance Information.

In 1972 there were 8,282 establishments operated by the charitable organizations registered with Revenue Canada, a 10.0% increase over the 1971 total of 7,527. In 1973 there were 8,772, an increase of 5.9% from 1972.

Total revenue of these establishments amounted to \$717.7 million for 1972, an increase of 20.3% over the 1971 total of \$596.4 million. In 1973 total revenue increased 27.1% to \$912.0 million.

Total expenditure amounted to \$678.9 million for 1972, an increase of 22.9% over the 1971 total of \$552.3 million. In 1973 total expenditure increased 19.4% to \$810.9 million.

For further information, order *Selected Financial Statistics of Charitable Organizations, 1972 and 1973* (61-212, \$2.10), or contact Mr. E. Yablonski (613-996-9301), Commercial Services Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Religious Organizations, 1972 and 1973 — Advance Information.

In 1972 there were 21,635 establishments operated by religious organizations registered with Revenue Canada, an increase of 3.5% over the 1971 total of 20,894. In 1973 there were 21,695 establishments, an increase of 0.3% over 1972.

Total revenue of these establishments amounted to \$621.6 million for 1972, an increase of 7.7% over the 1971 total of \$577.4 million. In 1973 it increased 10.8% to \$688.5 million.

Total expenditure decreased 0.8% to \$530.2 million in 1972 from the 1971 total of \$534.2 million. In 1973 total expenditure increased 11.2% to \$589.6 million.

For further information, order *Selected Financial Statistics of Religious Organizations, 1972 and 1973* (61-211, \$1.05), or contact Mr. E. Yablonski (613-996-9301), Commercial Services Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of January amounted to 79.8 million pounds compared with 79.4 million in December and 86.7 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

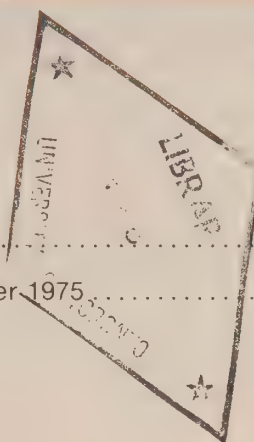
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The Dairy Review, November 1975 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, December 1975 (62-009, 30¢/\$3)

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Breweries, November 1975 (32-019, 15¢/\$1.50)

Rigid Insulating Board, November 1975 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, November 1975 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asphalt Roofing, November 1975 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 4, No. 58, Domestic and Farm Water Systems, November 1975.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, November 1975 — Advance Information.

In November, packers, dealers and tanners held 282,358 cattle hides, down from 283,866 a year earlier, and 144,859 calf and kip skins, up from 91,715. Cattle hide receipts increased to 289,172 from 192,076 and wettings increased to 290,039 from 195,466.

For further information, order the November issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, January 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on January 1 totalled 39.3 million pounds compared with 51.9 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 152.7 million pounds (125.7 million in 1975).

For further information order the January issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Apparent per Capita Domestic Disappearance of Food in Canada, 1974 (32-226, \$1.05)

Shipping Report, Part III, 1974 (54-204, \$1.40)

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Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Manufacturers' shipments in November, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$7,412.3 million, 2.6% higher than the revised October estimate of \$7,224.3 million. Durable goods shipments rose 4.0% to \$3,435.4 million from \$3,304.7 million and non-durable goods shipments increased 1.5% to \$3,976.8 million from \$3,919.6 million.

Manufacturers' new orders in November rose 0.6% to \$7,375.3 million from \$7,331.6 million. Durable goods new orders dropped 0.3% to \$3,382.7 million from \$3,393.6 million while non-durable goods new orders rose 1.4% to \$3,992.6 million from \$3,938.0 million. Unfilled orders in November, seasonally adjusted, at \$9,923.5 million were 0.4% lower than the revised October value of \$9,960.5 million.

Total inventory owned in November rose 0.9% to \$15,239.1 million from \$15,099.7 million. Total inventory held rose 1.0% to \$15,950.2 million from \$15,796.5 million with increases of 0.3%, 1.7% and 1.3% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments in November was 2.06:1, down from the revised October ratio of 2.09:1. The ratio of finished products to shipments at 0.68:1 was lower than the revised October ratio of 0.69:1.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in November dropped 3.6% to \$7,491.3 million from \$7,768.1 million in October. All listed provinces showed month-over-month declines with the exception of New Brunswick which had a 3.3% increase. Cumulative shipments for the first 11 months of 1975 were estimated at \$77,919.6 million, 5.7% higher than the corresponding 1974 estimate of \$73,697.5 million.

For further information, order the November issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H. D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

(see table below)

Births, 1974 — Advance Information.

Births to Canadian residents totalled 345,604 in 1974, a slight increase from 344,368 in 1973. The birth rate per 1,000 population declined marginally from 15.6 in 1973 to 15.4 in 1974. While Quebec continued to record the lowest birth rate of any of the provinces, it increased from 13.8 in 1973 to 14.0 in 1974, for the first time since 1957.

Children born in the "high fertility" period of the late 1950s are starting to enter the ages of maximum fertility and prospects for increases in the number of births during the next 10 years appear favourable.

For further information, contact Mr. D. Nagnur or Mr. J. Silins (613-995-0864), Vital Statistics Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Nov. 1975p	Oct. 1975r	Not Seasonally Adjusted % change (\$ millions)	Jan.-Nov. 1975p	Jan.-Nov. 1974	% change
Newfoundland	39.6	44.1	-10.3	408.6	391.8	4.3
Nova Scotia	143.4	162.0	-11.5	1,569.2	1,416.3	10.8
New Brunswick	149.6	144.8	3.3	1,548.9	1,485.6	4.3
Quebec	2,067.4	2,132.2	-3.0	21,251.1	20,069.8	5.9
Ontario	3,867.8	4,084.1	-5.3	39,836.4	37,599.1	6.0
Manitoba	222.5	225.1	-1.1	2,291.7	2,084.7	9.9
Saskatchewan	80.6	89.1	-9.5	940.6	937.1	0.4
Alberta	342.1	350.3	-2.3	3,561.8	3,085.2	15.4
British Columbia	570.5	528.3	8.0	6,420.9	6,548.5	-1.9
Canada*	7,491.3	7,768.1	-3.6	77,919.6	73,697.5	5.7

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries
(Based on 1972 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Nov. 1975p	Oct. 1975r	Sept. 1975	Nov. 1974
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	7,491.3	7,768.1	7,493.1	7,228.4
Non-durables	4,024.0	4,170.2	4,084.0	3,946.8
Durable	3,467.3	3,597.9	3,409.1	3,281.6
New Orders: Total	7,408.2	7,873.5	7,412.4	7,216.7
Non-durable	4,033.8	4,200.1	4,075.4	3,901.3
Durable	3,374.5	3,673.3	3,337.0	3,315.3
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,779.5	9,862.6	9,757.3	10,241.7
Non-durable	1,243.2	1,233.4	1,203.5	1,261.0
Durable	8,536.4	8,629.2	8,553.8	8,980.7
Inventory Owned: Total	15,095.7	14,983.1	15,020.1	14,129.9
Inventory Held: Total	15,853.6	15,729.1	15,749.0	14,690.6
Raw materials	6,820.1	6,822.2	6,867.5	6,256.5
Goods in process	4,090.6	4,004.7	3,970.0	3,636.5
Finished Products	4,942.9	4,902.1	4,911.4	4,536.6
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments: Total	7,412.3	7,224.3	7,156.0	7,024.8
Non-durable	3,976.8	3,919.6	3,902.9	3,842.6
Durable	3,435.5	3,304.7	3,253.1	3,182.2
New Orders: Total	7,375.3	7,331.6	7,161.3	7,078.0
Non-durable	3,992.6	3,938.0	3,943.6	3,799.0
Durable	3,382.7	3,393.6	3,217.7	3,279.0
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,923.5	9,960.5	9,853.2	10,392.1
Non-durable	1,279.1	1,263.3	1,244.9	1,297.1
Durable	8,644.4	8,697.2	8,608.3	9,095.0
Inventory Owned: Total	15,239.1	15,099.7	15,106.5	14,232.9
Inventory Held: Total	15,950.2	15,796.5	15,786.2	14,770.1
Raw materials	6,849.8	6,828.1	6,887.3	6,542.8
Goods in process	4,055.8	3,988.5	3,941.3	3,609.5
Finished products	5,044.6	4,979.9	4,957.6	4,617.8
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	2.06	2.09	2.11	2.03
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.68	0.69	0.69	0.66

Births and Rates, 1974

	Number		Change (%)	Rate per 1,000 population		Change (%)
	1974	1973		1974	1973	
Canada	345,604	344,368	0.4	15.4	15.6	-1.3
Newfoundland	10,236	12,901*	-20.7	18.9	23.8	-20.6
Prince Edward Island	1,939	1,886	2.8	16.6	16.4	1.2
Nova Scotia	12,941	13,289	-2.6	15.9	16.5	-3.6
New Brunswick	11,444	11,425	0.2	17.3	17.5	-1.1
Quebec	85,626	84,057	1.9	14.0	13.8	1.4
Ontario	124,228	123,776	0.4	15.3	15.6	-1.9
Manitoba	17,308	16,964	2.0	17.1	17.0	0.6
Saskatchewan	15,083	14,806	1.9	16.6	16.3	1.8
Alberta	29,812	29,288	1.8	17.4	17.4	—
British Columbia	35,450	34,352	3.2	14.8	14.8	—
Yukon	495	420	17.9	25.5	21.3	19.7
Northwest Territories	1,042	1,204	-13.5	27.8	31.9	-12.9

* Includes 995 births occurring in 1973 for which registrations were received too late to be included in 1973 statistics.

Tuberculosis, 1974 — Advance Information.

	Notification by Case Registry		Patients Under Treatment for Tuberculosis, December 31			Persons Receiving Preventive Outpatient Drug Treatment, December 31
	New Active Cases	Reactivated	Total	Inpatients	Outpatients	
	Number					
Canada	3,354	416	7,402	1,113	6,289	13,985
Newfoundland	145	21	355	31	324	140
Prince Edward Island	13	4	36	11	25	77
Nova Scotia	87	12	321	73	248	410
New Brunswick	85	15	267	27	240	231
Quebec	934	100	1,918	377	1,541	2,444
Ontario	979	123	2,004	302	1,702	6,074
Manitoba	261	31	535	51	484	987
Saskatchewan	148	19	318	46	272	254
Alberta	249	25	632	98	534	1,330
British Columbia	395	50	852	77	775	854
Yukon	6	1	14	3	11	101
North West Territories	52	15	150	17	133	1,083
	Rate per 100,000 population					
Canada	14.9	1.9	32.7	4.9	27.8	61.7
Newfoundland	26.7	3.9	65.0	5.7	59.3	25.6
Prince Edward Island	11.1	3.4	30.5	9.3	21.2	65.3
Nova Scotia	10.7	1.5	39.2	8.9	30.3	50.1
New Brunswick	12.8	2.3	39.9	4.0	35.8	34.5
Quebec	15.2	1.6	31.1	6.1	25.0	39.6
Ontario	12.1	1.5	24.5	3.7	20.8	74.3
Manitoba	25.8	3.1	52.8	5.0	47.7	97.3
Saskatchewan	16.3	2.1	34.9	5.0	29.8	27.9
Alberta	14.5	1.5	36.2	5.6	30.6	76.1
British Columbia	16.5	2.1	34.9	3.2	31.7	35.0
Yukon	30.9	5.2	70.0	15.0	55.0	505.0
North West Territories	138.7	40.0	405.4	45.9	359.5	2,927.0

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Communications (56-001, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 6, No. 1, Monthly Telephone Statistics, November 1975

Canada's Foreign Trade in Energy and Related Products, January-September 1975 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat.

Exports of energy and related products increased 6% from the first nine months of 1974 to \$3,945 million in the same period of 1975. At the same time, imports rose 36% to \$3,257 million. The more rapid growth of imports, particularly of crude petroleum, cut Canada's favourable trade balance by almost half from \$1,317 million to \$688 million.

More than three-quarters of the deterioration in the balance was due to trade with countries other than the United States. The deficit with these countries expanded 27% to \$2,276 million. This was compounded by a reduction in the surplus with the U.S. of 4.5%, down to \$2,964 million. Some 88.5% of the exports went to the U.S. in 1975 compared with 92% in the first nine months of 1974. Nearly 84% of the imports of these commodities originated in 1975 from overseas countries compared with 87% one year before.

Trade with the U.S.

The value of exports of energy-related products to the U.S. rose 2% from \$3,419 million in the first nine months of 1974 to \$3,491 million in 1975. About 86% of exports to the U.S. was crude oil and natural gas. But while the value of crude oil shipments contracted 9% to \$2,260 million, the value of natural gas exports more than doubled to \$739 million. Shipments of fuel oil fell 30% to \$146 million in 1975 while exports of liquefied petroleum gases rose 26% to \$191 million. And there was a sharp decline in the export values of electricity and other coal and petroleum products. All told, the energy equivalent of these commodities (excluding radioactive materials) fell 18% from an estimate of 2,526 trillion British Thermal Units to 2,079 trillion BTU in 1975.

Imports of energy commodities from the U.S. increased \$216 million or 69% to \$527 million, primarily due to the doubling of coal imports to \$386 million in the first nine months of 1975.

Trade with Other Countries

Energy commodity imports from overseas areas rose 31% to \$2,730 million. This expansion was due entirely to crude oil, which increased 37% in value to \$2,625 million.

The change in volume of crude oil imports was smaller than that of value, rising 8.5% to 239 million barrels. There was also a considerable shift in the sources of imports. In the first nine months of 1974, somewhat less than half of total crude oil imports was accounted for by Venezuela and by the Middle East countries taken together. Because of production control in Venezuela in 1975, imports fell 30 million barrels to 70.4 million barrels, which represented 29.5% of total crude oil imports. Venezuela remained the single most important

Sources of Imports of Crude Petroleum (\$ millions)

	January-September		Change %
	1974	1975	
South America	104.7	71.5	-31.7
Venezuela	101.6	70.4	-30.7
Other countries	3.1	1.1	-64.5
Share of total imports (%)	47.5	29.9	—
Average price per barrel (\$)	8.98	11.20	24.7
Middle East	101.8	162.8	59.9
United Arab Emirates	4.5	11.4	153.3
Iran	58.4	57.3	-1.9
Kuwait	7.5	9.2	22.7
Saudi Arabia	18.5	56.7	206.5
Other countries	12.9	28.2	118.6
Share of total imports (%)	46.2	68.1	—
Average price per barrel (\$)	8.18	10.85	32.6
Africa	14.0	4.8	-65.7
Nigeria	4.6	4.8	4.3
Other countries	9.4	—	—
Share of total imports (%)	6.3	2.0	—
Average price per barrel (\$)	10.07	11.97	18.9
Total	220.5	239.1	8.4
Average price per barrel (\$)	8.68	10.98	26.5

source of crude oil in 1975 and Iran's share of the Canadian import market was maintained at a slightly reduced level of 24%. But the Saudi Arabian share rose from 8.5% to 23.5%, as oil imports tripled to 56.7 million barrels, with that country following Iran as the third major source of crude oil.

Fuel oil imports declined 40% to \$83 million in 1975.

Higher shipments of coal alone, rising \$177 million to \$332 million, more than accounted for the 56% gain to \$454 million in total exports to overseas countries of energy-related products.

The rises in the volume of exports to overseas countries (7.5% to 286.4 trillion BTU) and of imports (4% to 1,435.3 trillion BTU) were much lower than the value increases. This apparent disparity was due to price changes. For example, the average price of imported crude oil increased 26% from the first nine months of 1974 to \$10.98 a barrel (f.o.b. point of (continued)

Canada's Foreign Trade in Energy and Related Products First 9 months, 1974 and 1975

(\$ millions)

	With the United States				With Other Countries			
	Exports		Imports		Exports		Imports	
	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975
Radioactive ores	18.4	7.6	—	—	18.3	15.5	—	—
Radioactive elements	25.5	41.9	3.6	4.4	6.8	9.8	8.8	4.0
Coal	7.3	3.4	194.0	386.1	154.9	331.9	—	2.2
Crude petroleum	2,482.9	2,260.3	—	—	—	—	1,918.4	2,624.7
Natural gas	338.2	739.3	5.1	6.4	—	—	—	—
Heavy fuel oil	164.7	90.6	23.6	9.0	49.0	40.2	97.1	50.9
Other fuel oil, etc.	39.8	54.9	4.9	2.9	13.8	29.3	42.7	32.2
Liquified petroleum gases	150.9	191.4	1.7	1.5	14.7	16.5	—	—
Lubricating oils, etc.	0.8	0.2	28.3	27.0	0.4	0.6	5.1	2.5
Coke, n.e.s.	3.8	7.4	29.5	56.9	0.7	3.6	5.8	7.2
Other coal and petroleum products	39.4	12.8	18.4	23.9	32.5	6.3	3.7	5.9
Electricity	147.2	80.9	2.3	8.8	—	—	—	—
Total	3,418.9	3,490.7	311.4	526.9	291.1	453.7	2,081.6	2,729.6
Trade balance	3,107.5	2,963.8	—	—	—	—	-1,790.5	-2,275.9

shipment) in 1975. The relative increase in the unit value of crude oil shipped to the U.S. was lower, at 18.5%, to \$11.61 per barrel. The price per ton of coal shipments abroad increased 85% to \$35.60.

For further information, contact P. Wang (613-996-0170), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings, December 1975 — Advance Information.

All railway freight loaded in the month of December totalled 18.8 million tons, down 7.8% from 20.3 million tons a year earlier. Commodity traffic from United States connections (Included above) amounted to 1.8 million tons, a decline of 16.0% from the 1974 month.

On a commodity basis, loadings of pulpwood and newsprint paper, influenced no doubt by strikes in the forest products industry, registered declines of 77.3% and 56.1%, respectively. Sand, gravel and crushed stone dropped 31.2% and potash was down 18.7%. The only significant increase in the month appeared in loadings of wheat, up 16.4%.

Rail carload and non-carload traffic during all 1975 totalled 250.5 million tons, 8.6% below the 1974 level. Freight received from U.S. connections was down 22.8% to 22.7 million tons from 29.4 million tons.

Pulpwood loadings in 1975 showed the greatest percentage decline, dropping 35.7%. Pulpwood chips fell 29.1% and sand and gravel was down 24.2%. Other notable declines occurred in loadings of sulphur, newsprint paper, potash, woodpulp, iron and steel and grain products. Coal loadings at 20.5 million tons rose 28.3% over 1974 and movements of grain other than wheat increased 11.4%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3), or, for seasonally — adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Reconciliation of Canada-United States Merchandise Trade Balance, Second Quarter 1975.

The U.S.-Canada Trade Statistics Committee has reconciled the published figures for Canada-U.S. bilateral merchandise trade for the second quarter of 1975 and has established that Canada was in deficit by \$719 million. Canadian trade statistics had indicated a second quarter deficit of \$830 million while the U.S. Bureau of the Census had reported that the Canadian deficit was \$150 million. These figures follow the pattern found by the committee in previous reconciliation studies in that both sets of official trade figures overstate their imports and understate their exports by comparison with the reconciled figures.

The accompanying table gives the results for the first and second quarters of 1975 and provides comparable figures for the first and second quarters of 1974. For ease of comparison, all figures are converted to U.S. currency.

In the past, quarterly statistics released by the committee have been in seasonally-adjusted form. The corresponding seasonally-adjusted figures for the second quarter of 1975 are: Canadian exports \$4,942 million; Canadian imports \$5,573 million; Canadian deficit \$631 million.

For further information, contact J.B. Salley (613-996-6247), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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Reconciliation of Canada-United States Trade Statistics, 1975

	1974			1975		
	Published Canada	United States	Reconciled	Published Canada	United States	Reconciled
	(\$ millions U.S.)					
1st Quarter						
Canadian Exports	4,816	4,919	4,976	5,087	5,201	5,117
Canadian Imports	4,923	4,469	4,753	5,410	5,028	5,330
Canadian Surplus (Deficit)	(107)	450	223	(323)	173	(213)
2nd Quarter						
Canadian Exports	5,717	5,751	5,709	5,346	5,683	5,411
Canadian Imports	5,606	5,224	5,524	6,176	5,833	6,130
Canadian Surplus (Deficit)	111	527	185	(830)	(150)	(719)

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 24 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended January 24 totalled 261,448 short tons (237 180 metric tonnes), a decrease of 4.7% from the preceding week's total of 274,205 short tons (248 753 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 289,242 tons (262 395 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 142.7 in the current week, 149.6 a week earlier and 157.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J. L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oil Pipe Line Transport, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,720,000 barrels a day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in November, 0.1% higher than the 2,718,000 B/D a year earlier. Domestic oils decreased 3.4% to 2,192,000 B/D, while imported oils increased 17.3% to 528,000 B/D.

For further information, order the November issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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The Input-Output Structure of the Canadian Economy, 1961-66 (15-505E, \$2.80)

Sales Financing, October 1975 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Building Permits, October 1975 (64-001, 70¢/\$7)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, November 1975 (63-007, 30¢/\$3)

International Travel, November 1975 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1961=100), November 1975 (62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 20, November Estimate of Production of Principal Field Crops, Canada, 1975 (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Coarse Grains Review, November 1975 (22-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, November 1975 (41-006, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hank of Sawmills in British Columbia, October 1975 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

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Aviation (51-004, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 8, No. 3, Civil Aviation — Operations of Transcontinental and Regional Air Carriers, October 1975

Canada's Foreign Trade In Forestry Products, First Nine Months of 1975 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat.

Widespread strikes in 1975 in lumbering, pulp and newsprint manufacturing industries in Canada and the persistence of recessionary conditions in important markets abroad contributed to depress the value of exports of forestry products by 2%, down to \$4,046 million in the first nine months of 1975 from the same period in 1974. The fall in the volume of these shipments was much sharper, roughly 17%.

Exports to the United States

In the United States, which absorbed nearly two-thirds of forestry product exports, the drop in the value of lumber, plywood and building board was most pronounced. Shipments of these products contracted about 23% from some \$890 million to \$680 million in the first nine months of 1975. Although it represents only a small part of the value of new residential construction put in place in the U.S., the value of the Canadian wood-based products moved generally in line with the lower rate of home construction in that country.

Exports of spruce, the most important lumber component, fell 25% to \$273 million, followed by hemlock, down 32% to \$88 million. The value of pulp shipments to the U.S. decreased 4% to \$741 million, notwithstanding a 6.5% increase in bleached sulphate pulp exports.

Newsprint, representing 42.5% of forestry product exports, rose 13.5% to \$1,119 million. However, with the inclusion of a 30% price rise, the volume of shipments actually fell about 12.5% to 93.1 million cwt in the first nine months of 1975. Likewise, the volume of lumber shipments to the U.S. dropped about 20% and those of pulp decreased by some 27%.

Exports to Other Countries

Exports of forestry products to overseas countries rose about 4% to \$1,406 million in 1975. Contributing to this change were increases of 24% and 20% in shipments, respectively, of pulp to \$701 million and newsprint to \$308 million. Lumber and plywood exports, on the other hand, fell 36% to \$226 million. Pulp represented close to half of the value of forestry products exported overseas in 1975 and sulphate pulp accounted for 88% of the pulp shipments. Newsprint and lumber accounted for 22% and 16%, respectively, of the forestry product exports.

The United Kingdom, West Germany, the remaining countries of the original European Economic Community and Japan continued to be important markets for pulp. Japan purchased lumber, principally hemlock and cedar, amounting to close to \$75 million. The United Kingdom imported spruce, hemlock and other softwood lumber in the amount of \$45 million.

At \$86 million, the United Kingdom was the single most important market for newsprint among overseas countries. Latin America purchased close to \$100 million of Canadian

newsprint, including Mexico (\$25.5 million), Brazil (\$17 million), Venezuela (\$13.5 million) and Argentina (\$13 million). Australia imported \$26 million, India \$16.5 million and Spain \$12 million.

Exports of other printing, wrapping and building paper and board to overseas countries amounted to \$146 million in 1975. Some 35% of these shipments were consigned to the United Kingdom and over 20% to other EEC countries.

Imports

Forestry products in the amount of \$411 million imported from the U.S. were distributed over lumber, veneer and plywood, printing and wrapping paper and paper-board and building paper. Close to half of \$53 million of imports from overseas countries was in the form of veneer and plywood.

For further information, contact P. Wang (613-996-0170), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. (see tables on page 3)

Wholesale Trade, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Sales by wholesale merchants for October were estimated at \$3,999.5 million, a 3.7% increase compared with October 1974.

In the consumer goods trades, one of the most significant sales changes from October 1974 was registered by the motor vehicles component, an increase of 20.2%. In the industrial goods trades, a notable item was a decrease of 35.8% in the iron and steel category.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$5,973.1 million, an increase of 1.3% over October 1974.

Further details may be obtained from the October issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Mental Health Statistics, Patient Movement, 1975 — Advance Information.

A total of 368 psychiatric inpatient facilities reported 132,001 admissions in 1975, a 5% increase over 1974. There were 134,129 separations from these facilities, an increase of 4% over 1974.

Patients on books on December 31 numbered 53,279, a 3% decrease from 1974. The ratio of admissions to year-end patients on books, a measure of the turnover, rose from 2.30 in 1974 to 2.48 in 1975.

For further information, contact the Mental Health Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Canada's Imports of Forestry Products — First Nine Months, 1974 and 1975

	United States				Other Countries			
	Quantity		Value		Quantity		Value	
	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975
			(\$ millions)				(\$ millions)	
Lumber (A)	350.5	345.0	86.9	73.7	26.5	13.5	8.0	3.9
Veneer and plywood (B)	810.7	748.0	83.6	75.3	510.9	320.4	43.0	25.9
Other wood fabricated materials	—	—	37.9	52.8	—	—	12.1	9.6
Pulp (C)	0.9	0.7	12.9	13.5	0.1	0.5	0.7	5.7
Printing and wrapping paper (C)	2.4	2.7	63.7	74.6	0.1	—	1.8	1.4
Paperboard and paper building materials (C)	4.9	3.8	77.7	71.7	0.8	0.2	8.8	6.4
Logs and other crude wood materials	—	—	54.0	49.8	—	—	0.1	0.5
Total			416.7	411.4			74.5	53.4

Units of quantity

A: million BF

B: million sq. ft.

C: million cwt.

Canada's Exports of Forestry Products — First Nine Months, 1974 and 1975

	United States				Other Countries			
	Quantity		Value		Quantity		Value	
	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975
			(\$ millions)				(\$ millions)	
Lumber, cedar (A)	390.4	308.4	77.1	60.9	155.9	104.1	51.9	39.9
Lumber, fir (A)	447.9	345.8	61.2	47.5	186.0	98.1	42.2	23.8
Lumber, hemlock (A)	782.8	563.1	129.7	88.2	758.2	474.1	136.6	85.1
Lumber, pine (A)	792.0	721.3	97.0	84.3	40.4	19.7	8.8	4.9
Lumber, spruce (A)	2,789.8	2,248.4	365.3	272.7	262.1	149.4	55.1	29.8
Lumber, hardwood (A)	92.6	45.1	23.6	12.7	14.0	9.9	7.0	5.6
Veneer and plywood (B)	877.6	693.9	39.8	29.9	392.3	287.2	51.0	37.2
Other wood fabricated materials	—	—	63.4	59.6	—	—	14.1	8.0
Pulp, bleached sulphate (C)	40.1	32.1	533.1	567.8	34.0	30.0	399.8	498.5
Pulp, other sulphate (C)	5.8	3.2	73.3	55.3	7.4	7.8	87.1	119.5
Pulp, sulphite (C)	10.9	6.1	151.2	101.5	4.5	4.1	70.3	74.9
Pulp, groundwood (C)	2.8	2.2	17.1	16.7	1.9	1.3	7.8	8.1
Newsprint (C)	106.1	93.1	986.3	1,119.1	24.0	22.1	256.8	307.5
Printing and wrapping paper (C)	9.5	8.1	105.5	73.0	8.1	5.3	70.1	79.8
Paperboard and paper building materials (C)	3.5	2.6	31.6	23.6	7.0	4.7	78.9	66.2
Logs and other crude wood materials	—	—	29.7	26.3	—	—	10.9	17.7
Total			2,784.9	2,639.1			1,348.4	1,406.5

Units of quantity

A: million BF

B: million sq. ft.

C: million cwt.

Railway Carloadings — 7 Days Ended January 14, 1976 —
Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Railway freight loadings dropped to 3.6 million tons (3.3 million metric tonnes) in the week, 16.3% below those of the same period in January 1975. Traffic originated east and west of the Lakehead was down 21.1% and 10.4%, respectively.

Piggyback shipments totalled 159,725 tons (144 900 metric tonnes), a decline of 7.9% from 1975.

In the first two weeks of 1976, rail carload tonnages dropped 14.8% from the same 1975 period to 6.5 million tons (5.9 million metric tonnes).

The cumulative decline was shared by both regions of the country with the East registering a 15.5% loss of traffic and the West a decline of 13.9%.

Piggyback (trailer and container) traffic was 7.8% below the 1975 level.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see table next page)

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending January 14

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	1,891,821	1,752,277	3,644,098
Short tons, 1975	2,396,701	1,956,365	4,353,066
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 716 231	1 589 639	3 305 870
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 174 251	1 774 784	3 949 035
% change	-21.1	-10.4	-16.3
Cars, 1976	33,763	28,311	62,074
Cars, 1975	42,845	31,337	74,182
% change	-21.1	-9.7	-16.3
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	118,586	41,139	159,725
Short tons, 1975	132,752	40,634	173,386
Metric tonnes, 1976	107 579	37 321	144 900
Metric tonnes, 1975	120 431	36 863	157 294
% change	-10.7	1.2	-7.9
Cars, 1976	4,740	1,811	6,551
Cars, 1975	5,687	2,040	7,727
% change	-16.7	-11.2	-15.2
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	3,505,006	3,016,124	6,521,130
Short tons, 1975	4,147,960	3,502,913	7,650,873
Metric tonnes, 1976	3 179 688	2 736 182	5 915 870
Metric tonnes, 1975	3 762 966	3 177 789	6 940 755
% change	-15.5	-13.9	-14.8
Cars, 1976	59,310	48,148	107,458
Cars, 1975	72,787	55,038	127,825
% change	-18.5	-12.5	-15.9
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	191,407	70,085	261,492
Short tons, 1975	216,201	67,369	283,570
Metric tonnes, 1976	173 642	63 580	237 222
Metric tonnes, 1975	196 134	61 116	257 250
% change	-11.5	4.0	-7.8
Cars, 1976	7,672	3,107	10,779
Cars, 1975	9,250	3,364	12,614
% change	-17.1	-7.6	-14.5

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

Price and Price Indexes (Building Construction Input Price Indexes)

December 1975 — Advance Information.

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

(1961=100)

	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	Dec. 1974	% Change	
				Dec./75 Nov./75	Dec./75 Dec./74
Total Index	265.9	264.0	233.0	0.7	14.1
Materials	202.0	201.4	184.0	0.3	9.8
Steel and Metal Work	220.6	220.6	205.0	---	7.6
Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment ..	187.0	187.0	175.3	---	6.7
Electrical Equipment	147.6	147.6	150.0	---	-1.6
Concrete Products	209.4	209.4	177.1	---	18.2
Lumber and Lumber Products	242.1	236.3	217.3	2.4	11.4
Other	199.3	199.2	174.4	0.2	14.3
Labour	344.3	340.8	293.2	1.0	17.4

r Revised figures.

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Psychiatric Inpatient Movement, by Type of Institution and Sex, 1975

Province	Number of reporting institutions	On books January 1st		Admissions		Separations		On books December 31	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Public mental hospital	44	14,614	10,803	21,184	13,893	22,229	14,622	13,569	10,074
Institution for the mentally retarded	87	11,601	8,798	2,805	1,923	3,041	2,188	11,365	8,533
Public psychiatric unit	133	1,449	2,001	25,037	37,825	24,956	37,653	1,530	2,173
Federal psychiatric unit	7	831	11	898	69	940	65	789	15
Psychiatric hospital	14	903	849	8,027	7,764	8,088	7,774	842	839
Aged and senile home	5	553	503	105	75	128	99	530	479
Hospital for addicts	20	339	89	8,122	1,721	8,092	1,752	369	58
Treatment centre for emotionally disturbed children	56	1,256	596	1,469	882	1,435	847	1,290	631
Epilepsy hospital	2	146	65	116	86	131	89	131	62
All institutions	368	31,692	23,715	67,763	64,238	69,040	65,089	30,415	22,864

For further information, contact the Mental Health Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Psychiatric Inpatient Movement, by Province and Sex, 1975

Province	Number of reporting institutions	On books January 1st		Admissions		Separations		On books December 31	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Newfoundland	7	336	168	1,312	1,273	1,350	1,273	298	168
Prince Edward Island	3	96	52	1,466	377	1,475	401	87	28
Nova Scotia	17	1,045	717	3,299	2,460	3,355	2,464	989	713
New Brunswick	7	746	501	1,435	1,240	1,490	1,264	691	477
Quebec	81	10,583	7,987	15,479	12,947	15,951	13,170	10,111	7,764
Ontario	136	10,230	7,272	27,820	29,144	27,965	29,425	10,085	6,991
Manitoba	29	1,720	1,374	3,168	2,659	3,333	2,777	1,555	1,256
Saskatchewan	12	965	760	2,001	2,016	2,048	2,008	918	768
Alberta	29	2,660	2,160	5,334	4,801	5,325	4,844	2,669	2,117
British Columbia	47	3,311	2,724	6,449	7,321	6,748	7,463	3,012	2,582
Canada	368	31,692	23,715	67,763	64,238	69,040	65,089	30,415	22,864

Prices and Price Indexes, January 1975 — Advance Information.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

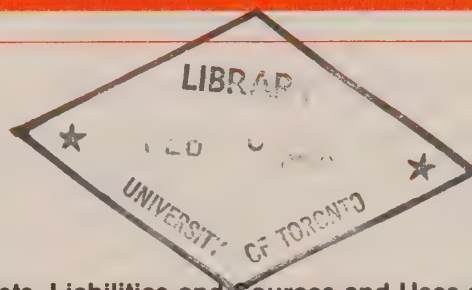
	Number stocks priced	Jan. 23/76 This week	Jan. 16/76 Week ago	Dec. 24/75 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	104.8	102.8	96.6
Industrials	85	108.0	105.6	97.8
Foods	9	94.9	92.6	89.8
Alcoholic beverages	5	93.4	92.8	86.0
Textiles and clothing	3	140.9	139.5	132.0
Pulp and paper	7	138.9	130.4	117.4
Printing and publishing	5	143.7	141.7	134.0
Primary metals	4	119.0	115.7	110.5
Industrial mines	6	85.2	84.5	73.9
Metal fabricating	9	190.3	183.9	166.6
Non-metallic minerals	4	97.0	96.2	89.0
Petroleum	8	104.3	101.5	99.2
Chemicals	5	128.4	122.2	118.4
Construction	5	195.1	191.7	177.6
Trade	15	103.6	102.5	96.0
Utilities and services	28	86.2	84.5	79.7
Transportation	6	112.4	109.8	101.1
Pipelines	5	73.9	71.9	68.8
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	102.8	98.8	95.1
Telephone	4	89.5	87.8	84.4
Electric power	3	104.4	104.4	100.8
Gas distribution	5	67.6	67.1	61.1
Finances	21	116.9	117.0	115.8
Banks	8	121.3	121.7	121.4
Investment and loan	9	109.8	108.6	105.2
Insurance	4	91.1	91.1	87.5
Mining Index	17	94.6	93.4	93.4
Golds	9	147.1	146.5	154.0
Base metals	8	69.4	67.9	64.4
Uraniums	2	212.3	210.1	188.8
Primary oils and gas index	5	95.4	92.8	89.3

For further information, order the January issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Department Store Sales by Regions, November 1975 (63-004, \$1.50 per year)

Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, November 1975 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)



Provincial Government Finance, Assets, Liabilities and Sources and Uses of Funds, 1973 — Advance Information.

The financial assets of provincial and territorial governments at March 31, 1973, and March 31, 1974, amounted to \$18,008.2 million and \$20,845.7 million, respectively, for an increase of \$2,837.5 million or 15.8%. Their liabilities amounted to \$19,538.1 million and \$21,940.8 million, respectively, for an increase of \$2,402.7 million or 12.3%.

For further information, order the 1973 issue of *Provincial Government Finance, Assets, Liabilities and Sources and Uses of Funds* (68-209, \$2.10), or contact the Public Finance Division, Provincial Government Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Roundwood production decreased 53.0% to 989,418 cunits in November from 2,104,858 cunits in November 1974. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue decreased 35.8% to 1,532,555 cunits from 2,387,293 and the closing inventory of these two products increased 14.7% to 12,726,760 cunits from 11,099,399. Receipts of wood residue decreased 25.6% to 657,130 cunits from 883,701.

For further information, order the November issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Decorative Laminate Sheet, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

Domestic shipments of 1/8-inch high pressure laminate sheet totalled 18.9 million square feet (1.7 million square metres) with a value of \$6.7 million in the fourth quarter of 1975. In the same quarter a year earlier, the total was 18.3 million square feet (1.7 million square metres) with a value of \$6.2 million.

For further information, order *Rubber and Plastic Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, October 1975 — Advance Information.

October production of rubber increased to 39,706,000 pounds from 38,799,000 pounds in October 1974. Consumption of rubber increased to 53,908,000 pounds from 47,961,000.

For further information, order the October issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Net Shipments of Rolled Steel Products

November 1975 — Information.

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

	Domestic	Export	Total
(net tons of 2,000 pounds)			
Ingot and semi-finished shapes.....	32,045	8,168	40,213
Rails.....	16,825	11,588	28,413
Wire rods.....	45,283	6,010	51,293
Structural Shapes:			
Heavy.....	49,153	2,996	52,149
Bar-sized shapes.....	5,196	350	5,546
Concrete reinforcing bars.....	40,875	—	40,875
Other hot rolled bars.....	66,088	4,857	70,945
Tire plates and track material.....	2,232	10	2,242
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes).....	99,419	11,566	110,985
Hot rolled sheets.....	179,516	23,881	203,397
Hot rolled strip.....			
Cold finished bars.....	5,657	52	5,709
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled other, coated.....	123,437	10,077	133,514
Galvanized sheets.....	63,985	6,925	70,910
Total.....	729,711	86,480	816,191

* Producer's shipments excluding producer's interchange.

For further information, order the November issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

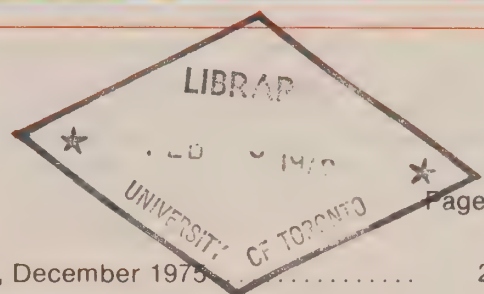
Fish Freezings and Stocks, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Advance data on November fish freezings and stocks is now available.

For further information, order the November issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Production of Eggs and Poultry, November 1975 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

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Housing Starts and Completions, November 1975 (64-002, 40¢/\$4)

Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, December 1975 —
Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat.

On a balance-of-payments basis, Canada's merchandise exports and imports each reached record high levels in 1975. Exports increased 2% to \$33,106 million but imports rose 10% to \$33,901 million. Accordingly, the merchandise trade balance changed from a surplus of \$1,520 million in 1974 to a deficit of \$795 million in 1975.

Seasonally-adjusted merchandise imports rose 2.3% to \$2,954 million in December while exports declined marginally to \$2,863 million. While the trade deficit widened to \$91 million from \$3 million in November, the deficit for the quarter of \$72 million was considerably lower than that of \$213 million in the third quarter.

In the accompanying table, seasonally-adjusted export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts which are explained in *Summary of External Trade*. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment, deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to *Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments* (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

Exports (Customs Basis)

At \$2,839 million, seasonally-adjusted exports in December stood 2% above the level for the two preceding months. A decline of 3.5% to \$1,856 million in exports to the United States was outweighed by a rise of 14% to \$983 million in the value of shipments to other countries. Exports to Japan recovered sharply. Exports also increased to the United Kingdom and the six European Economic Community countries.

For the full year 1975, Canadian exports increased only 2% from 1974 compared with an increase of 27% from 1973 to 1974. Exports to the U.S. rose less than 1% but sales to the EEC grew by 8% and to "other" countries by 17%. Exports to Japan declined 5% in 1975 and shipments to the United Kingdom and Latin America fell by 4% and 1%, respectively.

Substantial and largely offsetting changes in a number of major export commodities contributed to the 2% rise in exports. Sizeable increases were recorded in exports of natural gas, automotive products and machinery. Rising steadily during 1975, the value of natural gas shipped to the U.S. was nearly \$600 million higher than in 1974. But the export price also rose by 40% to \$1.40 on August 1 and to \$1.60 per thousand cubic feet at the beginning of November 1975.

About half of the \$608 million increase in automotive commodities was in passenger cars. Shipments of trucks and related vehicles rose \$158 million and those of parts rose by a similar amount. Machinery exports were \$295 million higher in 1975, with the increase divided about evenly between industrial and agricultural types.

Iron ore exports rose \$143 million and those of barley by \$110 million. Shipments of nickel ores were \$78 million higher in 1975. Smaller increases occurred in exports of rapeseed, fertilizers and office machines.

Exports of crude oil fell \$355 million and those of copper ores, lumber and non-ferrous metals were each lower roughly by \$300 million. Shipments of lumber tended to weaken in the course of 1975 but exports of non-ferrous metals and crude oil recovered in the second half year, as crude deliveries increased almost to the allowed maximum of 750,000 barrels a day from the 700,000 average for the first half year. Exports of wheat, asbestos and pulp each dropped in the range of \$40 to \$60 million.

Imports (Customs Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted imports rose 1.8% to \$3,004 million in December. Imports from the U.S. declined 6% in December to \$2,010 million while imports from other countries increased 22% to \$993 million from the low November level. Imports rose at least 20% from each trade area overseas.

Imports increased from all sources except Japan and Latin America, reaching \$34,667 million in 1975, up 9.5% from 1974. Imports from the U.S. increased steadily during 1975, recording a gain of 10.5% and reaching \$23,516 million for the year. Imports from the United Kingdom increased 9% in relation to 1974 and so did imports from the six EEC countries. While imports from other countries weakened progressively during the year, nevertheless, the 1975 total stood 22% above that of 1974 because of the unusual strength displayed in the first half-year.

Following a 41% increase in imports from Japan in 1974, imports fell 13.5% in 1975. From a jump of over 100% in 1974, due largely to the escalation of crude oil prices, imports from Latin America fell 9.5% in 1975.

The increase in imports was led by an increase exceeding \$1 billion in automotive and related products, of which vehicles and parts each accounted for about half. Imports of passenger cars rose throughout the year, but those of parts peaked in the third quarter. Machinery followed with an increase of \$845 million, of which some \$500 million was due to industrial machinery. Most of the \$650 million rise in crude oil imports was due to further price increases. Imports of coal and raw sugar increased some \$275 million and \$60 million, respectively. Falling sharply in the second half of 1975, fuel oil imports were about \$130 million lower for the year. Imports of communication equipment declined about \$100 million.

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Prices and Volumes

Export prices are estimated to have risen by about 10.5% in 1975 while the volume of exports declined by 8%. There was an even larger increase of some 16% in average import prices but real imports fell by about 5%.

After reaching the most favourable position in recent years in mid-1974, Canada's terms of trade (the ratio of average export prices to average import prices) deteriorated for a period of about a year. However, there was some recovery and the terms of trade in the last quarter of 1975 were up to the level of the corresponding period of 1974.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the December issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see graph on next page)

Canada's Foreign Trade in Machinery and Equipment (excluding automotive products), First Nine Months of 1975 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat.

Imports of machinery and equipment (excluding automotive products) amounted to \$7,076 million in the first nine months of 1975, up 16% from \$6,097 million in the same period of 1974. Exports rose less sharply from \$2,071 million to \$2,352 million, an increase of 13.5%.

Imports

Since January 1974, a rapid upswing in the prices of imported industrial and agricultural machinery has been a major factor in the increased import bill. Communication equipment and office equipment have shown more moderate price increases. With prices moving upwards, 24 of the 30 listed categories showed gains in 1975 import values over the same period of 1974, while five declined moderately and one more sharply. Tractors, engines and parts registered the largest increase, up 57% from \$386 million to \$605 million.

Among other commodities which increased sharply were farm equipment and the drilling, mining and construction machinery group, both up over \$100 million, and excavating machinery, up \$85 million. Reflecting a slowdown in consumer demand and also inventory reductions, imports of television sets, radios and semi-conductors dropped \$77 million to \$220 million.

Aircraft imports, which fluctuate widely, were down \$14 million to \$240 million but imports of aircraft parts and engines increased \$70 million. The United States continued to be the major source of machinery and equipment, supplying 78% of Canada's import requirements in the first nine months of 1975.

Exports to the United States

During the period under review, export prices advanced rapidly. Exports to the U.S. increased 7.5% to \$1,511 million but performance by commodity category was mixed. Ten commodity categories rose by a total of \$175 million, but seven categories declined by \$70 million for a net increase of \$105 million. The biggest gain was registered by farm equipment, up 26% from \$222 million in 1974 to \$279 million in 1975. Other commodities registering sizeable gains were drilling, excavating, mining and construction machinery, up \$28 million to \$75 million; office machines and equipment with a rise of \$24 million to \$104 million; and tractors up \$18 million to \$69 million. Among commodities which declined were materials handling machinery and equipment, which fell 20% to \$57 million, and telecommunication and related equipment, down 10% to \$143 million.

Exports to Other Countries

The performance of Canadian exporters in overseas markets was stronger than in the U.S. Exports to these countries expanded 26% to \$840 million in the first nine months of 1975, accounting for 36% of total machinery and equipment exports. The bulk of these shipments was to

developing countries. The biggest increase was registered by drilling, excavating, mining and construction machinery, up from \$43 million to \$81 million.

Other commodities showing strength overseas included power generating machinery, which almost doubled to \$40 million, office machinery and equipment, which rose from \$71 million to \$86 million, and telecommunication and related equipment, up from \$102 million to \$117 million. Tractors, which rose from \$4 million to \$23 million, became for the first time a significant contender in overseas markets. The only category which declined was ships, boats and parts, down from \$56 million to \$17 million.

Canada's international trade in machinery and equipment (other than automotive products) has yielded increasing annual deficits over the past decade. The 1974 deficit of \$5.6 billion was over 2.5 times that of the \$2.1 billion in 1966. The deficit has continued to increase in 1975. As indicated before, this trade has been predominantly with the U.S. and in industrial machinery as against farm equipment and tractors.

For further information, contact J.B. Wall (613-996-0170), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. (see table on page 13)

Sales Financing, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Sales finance companies purchased \$214.9 million in retail finance paper during November, an increase of 9.2% from \$196.8 million in November 1974. The total purchases comprised \$60.0 million for passenger cars, \$27.7 million for other consumer goods, \$78.6 million for commercial vehicles and \$48.6 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the third quarter amounted to \$1,607.0 million, an increase of 10.4% over \$1,455.5 million during the corresponding 1974 quarter.

For further information, order the November issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, November 1975 — Advance Information.

November production of rubber increased to 39,522,000 pounds from 34,094,000 in November 1974. Consumption increased to 53,338,000 pounds from 52,562,000.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Fruit and Vegetable Crop Reports, 1975 (Fourth estimate of the commercial production of all fruits) — Advance Information.

The latest estimate of all fruits in 1975 show apple production increased by 3.0 million bushels compared to the 1974 figure of 21,328,000 bushels. Production went up in 1975 for pears, peaches, sweet and sour cherries, strawberries and grapes.

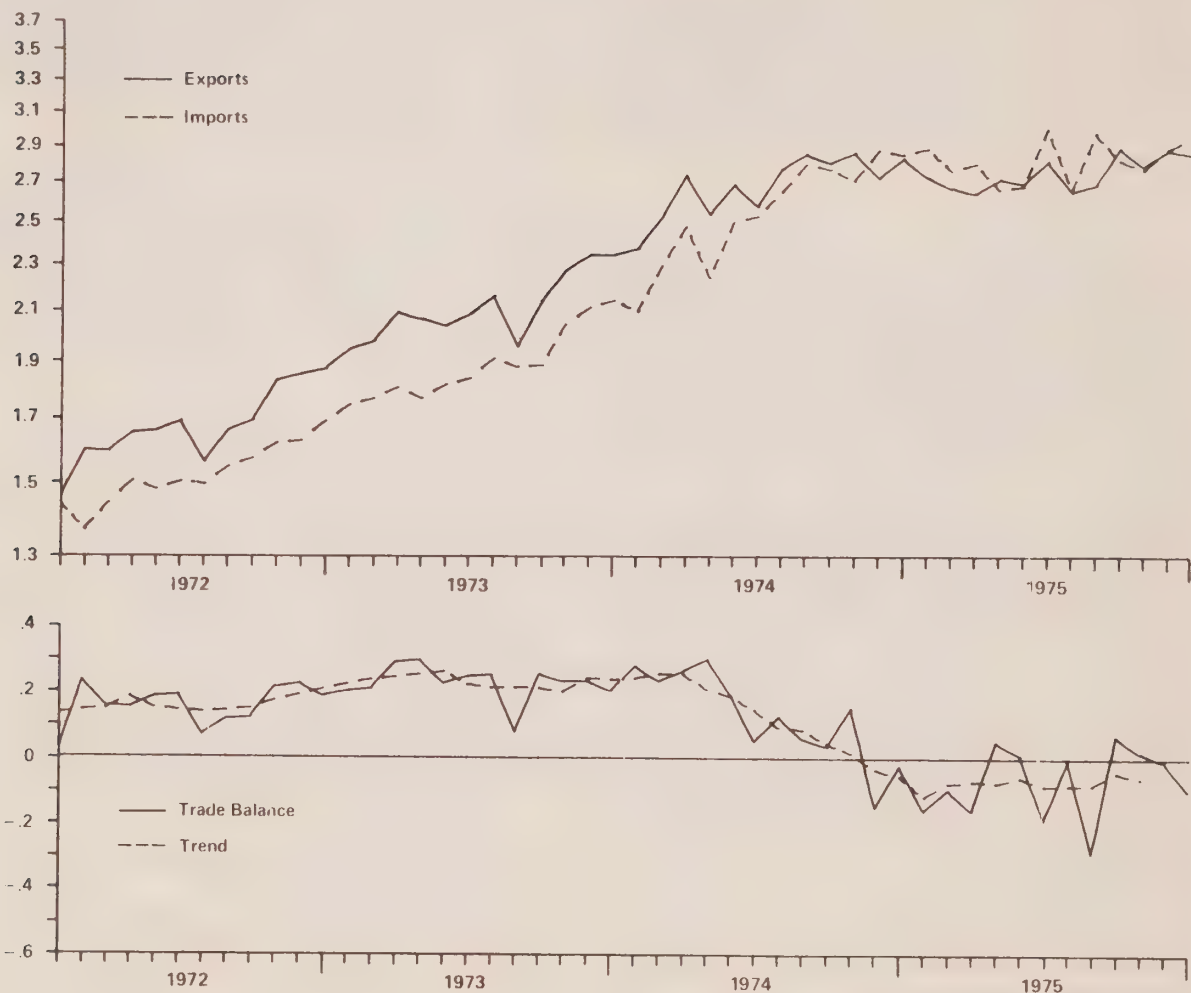
For further information, order *Fruit and Vegetable Crop Reports, 1975* (22-003, \$1.40 for the series), or contact Mr. G.O. Code (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted

Balance of Payments Basis

Ratio Scale



Merchandise Trade of Canada

Customs Basis
Unadjusted

Balance of Payments Basis

Unadjusted

Seasonally Adjusted

Trade
Balance

Exports

Imports

Exports

Imports

Exports

Imports

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(\$ millions)

1974

Third Quarter
Fourth Quarter

8,009 7,852
8,729 8,864

8,001 7,713
8,871 8,683

8,461 8,241
8,446 8,462

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1975

First Quarter
Second Quarter
Third Quarter
Fourth Quarter

7,670 8,269
8,695 9,262
7,655 8,113
8,735 9,023

7,538 8,103
8,858 9,063
7,798 7,932
8,912 8,803

8,063 8,461
8,246 8,358
8,254 8,467
8,543 8,615

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1975

July
August
September
October
November
December

2,664 2,720
2,265 2,569
2,727 2,825
2,960 3,099
2,861 2,985
2,914 2,939

2,656 2,657
2,331 2,526
2,811 2,750
3,057 3,011
2,983 2,918
2,872 2,875

2,662 2,665
2,697 2,977
2,895 2,825
2,796 2,774
2,884 2,887
2,863 2,954

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Table 1
TOTAL EXPORTS, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
customs value basis
(millions of dollars)

		Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.K.	U.S.A.	Total excl. U.S. and U.K.	E.E.C.	Japan
1974	Third Quarter	8,450.1	6,959.3	6,401.7	499.9	5,678.5	2,271.7	523.0	513.6
	Fourth Quarter	8,320.0	6,934.6	6,428.6	484.1	5,647.9	2,188.0	548.9	485.1
1975	First Quarter	8,184.2	6,810.3	6,332.2	559.5	5,273.4	2,351.3	596.0	452.4
	Second Quarter	8,131.5	6,505.9	5,938.3	440.0	5,058.5	2,633.1	619.3	600.6
	Third Quarter	8,112.9	6,409.9	6,013.0	451.4	5,476.0	2,185.6	575.6	555.5
	Fourth Quarter	8,386.6	6,783.8	6,240.2	390.2	5,695.8	2,300.6	476.8	528.1
1975	July	2,692.3	2,090.7	1,940.9	193.7	1,836.0	662.6	191.7	136.6
	August	2,614.1	2,046.6	1,957.3	99.4	1,795.7	719.0	156.0	202.9
	September	2,806.5	2,272.7	2,114.8	158.3	1,844.3	803.9	227.9	216.0
	October	2,765.5	2,166.9	1,985.9	86.5	1,917.6	761.4	109.7	193.0
	November	2,781.7	2,260.0	2,102.8	117.2	1,921.7	742.9	176.1	118.3
	December	2,839.4	2,356.9	2,151.5	186.5	1,856.5	796.3	191.0	216.8

Percent changes

December/November	2.1	4.3	2.3	59.2	-3.4	7.2	8.5	83.2
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	3.4	5.8	3.8	-13.6	4.0	5.3	-17.2	-4.9
Dec. 75/Dec. 74	6.0	4.2	1.9	15.6	0.4	19.2	4.2	58.6

E.E.C. Excludes United Kingdom, Ireland and Denmark.

Table 2
TOTAL EXPORTS BY PRINCIPAL TRADING AREAS
(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Percent Changes		
	1975			1974			75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
United Kingdom	194.1	121.8	102.3	170.6	140.9	200.3	11.8	-18.7	-48.9
United States	1,853.4	1,966.8	2,031.7	1,786.0	1,986.8	2,069.4	3.9	-1.0	-1.8
Japan	203.4	129.4	201.7	132.9	220.9	149.4	51.0	-41.9	35.0
E.E.C.	215.9	183.3	136.4	197.7	151.3	267.2	9.2	21.2	-49.0
Latin America	91.3	104.5	90.2	126.8	145.8	107.8	-28.0	-28.3	-16.3
Commonwealth Ex. U.K.	72.7	125.2	96.9	80.6	69.4	99.8	-9.8	80.4	-1.9
Other Countries	282.8	231.3	300.9	190.6	243.7	184.4	48.4	-5.1	63.2
All Countries	2,913.6	2,861.3	2,960.1	2,685.2	2,967.8	3,076.3	8.5	-3.6	-3.8

	Year to Date						Percent Changes	
	1975		1974		1973		75/74	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
United Kingdom	1,821.4	1,627.3	1,902.8	1,732.2	1,604.4	1,449.3	-4.3	18.6
United States	21,467.6	19,614.3	21,325.1	19,539.1	17,129.0	15,809.4	0.7	24.5
Japan	2,120.0	1,916.6	2,229.0	2,096.1	1,813.8	1,646.0	-4.9	22.9
E.E.C.	2,252.7	2,036.8	2,087.1	1,889.4	1,538.9	1,333.3	7.9	35.6
Latin America	1,271.6	1,180.4	1,286.6	1,159.8	713.2	646.6	-1.2	80.4
Commonwealth Ex. U.K.	1,069.8	997.1	984.6	904.0	800.2	701.0	8.7	23.0
Other Countries	2,751.5	2,468.6	2,361.3	2,170.7	1,820.1	1,638.7	16.5	29.7
All Countries	32,754.6	29,841.1	32,176.5	29,491.3	25,419.6	23,224.3	1.8	26.6

E.E.C. Excludes United Kingdom, Ireland and Denmark

Table 3
DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY SECTIONS
(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Percent Changes		
	1975			1974			75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
Live Animals	16.8	13.5	13.7	5.8	6.3	6.6	189.7	114.3	107.6
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	403.3	351.0	428.4	298.4	378.0	359.1	35.2	-7.1	19.3
Crude Materials, Inedible	797.7	691.6	646.1	686.3	724.1	730.6	16.2	-4.5	-11.6
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	730.8	796.0	782.2	860.8	882.8	961.8	-15.1	-9.8	-18.7
End Products, Inedible	894.3	934.2	1,008.1	761.0	889.1	933.3	17.5	5.1	8.0
Special Transactions, Trade	16.2	12.0	6.4	8.1	17.8	11.9	100.0	-32.6	-46.2
Total Trade	2,859.1	2,798.3	2,884.9	2,620.4	2,898.1	3,003.3	9.1	-3.4	-3.9
Special Transactions, Non-Trade	51.2	51.5	67.2	94.5	53.9	56.7	-45.8	-4.5	18.5

	Year to Date						Percent Changes	
	1975		1974		1973		75/74	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
Live Animals	84.3	67.5	89.7	83.9	144.7	136.7	-6.0	-38.0
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	3,978.4	3,575.1	3,747.5	3,449.1	3,011.8	2,700.7	6.2	24.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	7,953.6	7,155.9	7,768.1	7,081.8	5,024.8	4,548.9	2.4	54.6
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	9,796.0	9,065.3	10,638.4	9,777.6	8,223.9	7,520.0	-7.9	29.4
End Products, Inedible	10,097.3	9,203.0	9,088.6	8,327.6	8,386.3	7,751.0	11.1	8.4
Special Transactions, Trade	86.1	69.9	79.6	71.5	45.4	41.9	8.2	75.3
Total Trade	31,995.7	29,136.7	31,411.9	28,791.5	24,836.9	22,699.2	1.9	26.5
Special Transactions, Non Trade	641.1	589.8	589.7	495.1	430.5	410.0	8.7	37.0

Table 4
TOTAL EXPORTS BY PROVINCE OF CLEARANCE
(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Percent Changes		
	1975			1974			75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
Newfoundland	18.2	20.9	23.3	36.6	52.3	38.7	-50.3	-60.0	-39.8
Nova Scotia	105.9	86.6	61.7	58.6	76.2	115.5	80.7	13.6	-46.6
Prince Edward Island	2.7	1.2	1.8	0.4	0.1	1.1	575.0	...	63.6
New Brunswick	88.9	115.4	68.4	115.4	71.8	109.8	-23.0	60.7	-37.7
Quebec	665.3	647.8	604.3	568.6	583.5	625.3	17.0	11.0	-3.4
Ontario	1,118.5	1,225.6	1,310.4	1,116.3	1,257.4	1,321.7	0.2	-2.5	-0.9
Manitoba	222.2	197.7	259.3	207.0	207.6	249.5	7.3	-4.8	3.9
Saskatchewan	42.8	49.5	36.5	41.9	37.7	39.2	2.1	31.3	-6.9
Alberta	45.5	52.7	50.3	54.2	59.8	51.6	-16.1	-11.9	-2.5
British Columbia	595.0	453.8	534.2	469.0	606.6	512.0	-26.9	-25.2	-4.3
Yukon	8.5	9.9	9.9	17.2	15.0	11.8	-50.6	-34.0	-16.1
Total	2,913.6	2,861.3	2,960.1	2,685.2	2,967.8	3,076.3			

	Year to Date						Percent Changes	
	1975		1974		1973		75/74	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
Newfoundland	128.2	310.0	440.5	403.9	254.6	232.4	-25.5	73.0
Nova Scotia	1,165.7	1,059.9	1,050.7	992.1	814.1	740.2	10.9	29.1
Prince Edward Island	6.5	3.8	2.8	2.4	3.7	2.7	132.1	-24.3
New Brunswick	1,293.0	1,204.0	1,122.2	1,006.7	881.2	811.3	15.2	27.3
Quebec	6,640.1	5,974.8	6,466.8	5,898.3	5,182.4	4,651.4	2.7	24.8
Ontario	13,320.1	12,201.6	13,066.2	11,949.9	11,422.2	10,559.7	1.9	14.4
Manitoba	2,430.7	2,208.5	2,553.7	2,346.6	1,363.8	1,247.1	-4.8	87.2
Saskatchewan	467.1	424.3	490.2	448.4	460.1	423.1	-4.7	6.5
Alberta	551.5	506.0	574.0	519.8	276.7	250.3	-3.9	107.4
British Columbia	6,414.0	5,818.9	6,294.6	5,825.5	4,690.4	4,242.3	1.9	34.2
Yukon	137.7	129.2	114.9	97.7	70.5	63.9	19.8	63.0
Total	32,754.6	29,841.1	32,176.5	29,491.3	25,419.6	23,224.3		

Table 5
DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO ALL COUNTRIES
BY LEADING COMMODITY GROUPINGS
(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Percent Changes		
	1975			1974			75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
Barley	43.3	73.7	6.5	30.7	40.3	50.3	41.0	-18.4	24.3
Wheat	210.7	159.8	205.4	155.6	213.3	183.7	35.4	-20.4	11.8
Whisky	19.5	27.0	34.7	18.9	19.1	17.5	3.2	41.4	98.3
Rapeseed	19.7	14.2	15.2	19.4	20.1	6.9	1.5	-29.4	123.5
Iron ores and concentrates	70.4	66.4	54.9	59.4	63.8	60.6	18.5	4.1	-21.1
Copper in ores, concentrates and scrap	40.7	16.4	25.7	13.4	42.2	45.0	203.7	-61.1	-42.9
Nickel in ores, concentrates and scrap	36.0	44.1	23.1	35.9	37.1	42.2	0.3	18.9	-45.3
Zinc in ores, concentrates and scrap	29.4	39.8	9.0	34.9	35.9	44.2	-15.8	10.9	-79.6
Crude petroleum	270.3	264.0	256.9	300.2	311.3	312.4	-10.0	-15.2	-17.8
Natural gas	132.5	115.6	104.8	63.7	49.8	42.0	108.0	132.1	149.5
Asbestos, unmanufactured	33.7	25.7	26.0	27.5	36.3	30.3	22.5	-29.2	-33.8
Lumber, softwood	78.3	69.5	62.1	69.5	69.6	88.9	12.7	-0.1	-30.1
Wood pulp and similar pulp	145.0	119.1	102.0	157.6	175.7	191.0	-8.0	-32.2	-46.6
Newsprint paper	84.5	105.6	125.4	157.3	144.7	179.5	-46.3	-27.0	-30.1
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	37.4	47.5	39.8	44.7	40.7	37.2	-16.3	16.7	7.0
Petroleum and coal products	51.4	70.8	57.0	58.3	69.6	40.3	-11.8	1.7	41.4
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	10.1	14.7	14.2	21.9	18.0	16.5	53.9	-19.3	-13.9
Aluminum, including alloys	42.9	58.9	39.4	41.1	50.9	46.6	4.4	15.7	-15.5
Copper and alloys	38.6	18.6	44.2	30.8	39.7	48.4	-25.3	-7.8	8.7
Nickel and alloys	22.3	10.7	40.6	32.4	34.7	38.4	-11.2	11.5	5.7
Zinc, including alloys	23.3	22.5	24.0	22.3	14.0	16.0	4.5	60.7	50.0
Metal fabricated basic products	15.9	20.1	23.1	14.9	18.9	21.3	6.7	6.3	8.5
Passenger automobiles and chassis	253.2	300.4	292.6	224.5	310.8	274.7	12.8	-3.3	6.5
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	86.6	90.1	83.8	78.7	86.2	69.9	10.0	4.5	20.1
Other motor vehicles	9.3	16.4	14.2	12.1	13.2	9.8	-23.1	24.2	44.9
Motor vehicle engines and parts	43.2	52.5	59.5	28.9	42.5	55.2	49.5	23.5	7.8
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	130.7	152.7	183.6	101.2	141.4	167.5	29.2	7.7	9.6
Televisions, radios and phonographs	1.7	2.4	3.3	1.6	2.4	2.9	6.2	0.0	13.8
Other telecomm. and related equip	24.9	27.2	30.7	29.4	26.5	32.0	-15.6	2.6	2.3
Office machines and equipment	25.5	26.3	29.5	23.8	20.6	21.5	7.1	27.7	37.2
Percent of total exports for selected commodities	71.0	74.4	72.3	72.9	75.5	73.5			

	1975		Year to Date 1974		1973		Percent Changes	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
Barley	433.1	389.8	123.4	292.6	277.8	237.3	11.0	16.4
Wheat	1,092.0	1,781.2	2,049.7	1,894.0	1,220.6	1,073.7	-2.8	-67.9
Whisky	241.9	222.4	193.7	174.8	231.2	214.4	24.9	-16.2
Rapeseed	223.0	204.1	199.8	180.4	230.2	201.2	17.1	-11.2
Iron ores and concentrates	685.7	615.3	542.6	483.2	462.0	424.4	26.4	17.4
Copper in ores, concentrates and scrap	331.3	290.6	647.4	634.0	556.9	507.5	48.8	16.3
Nickel in ores, concentrates and scrap	515.7	479.8	438.2	402.3	442.0	400.0	17.7	-0.9
Zinc in ores, concentrates and scrap	303.8	274.4	318.6	283.7	198.1	174.7	-4.6	60.8
Crude petroleum	3,051.5	2,781.2	3,406.8	3,106.5	1,482.1	1,341.9	-10.4	129.9
Natural gas	1,092.2	959.7	493.6	430.0	350.7	317.1	121.3	40.7
Asbestos, unmanufactured	299.7	265.9	339.3	311.8	280.9	256.7	-11.7	20.8
Lumber, softwood	948.0	869.7	1,254.0	1,184.5	1,558.7	1,442.9	-24.4	-19.5
Wood pulp and similar pulp	1,813.7	1,668.8	1,864.1	1,706.5	1,082.3	990.0	-2.7	72.2
Newsprint paper	1,742.0	1,657.6	1,724.5	1,567.2	1,287.7	1,183.7	1.0	33.9
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	456.2	418.8	421.1	376.5	282.6	258.4	8.3	49.0
Petroleum and coal products	622.2	570.7	615.1	556.9	311.6	277.9	1.2	97.4
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	165.1	155.0	194.7	172.8	145.3	130.8	-15.2	34.0
Aluminum, including alloys	438.0	395.1	508.1	467.0	373.9	341.5	-13.8	35.9
Copper and alloys	474.7	436.1	650.1	619.3	521.5	471.3	-27.0	24.7
Nickel and alloys	413.3	391.0	436.7	404.3	377.3	344.1	-5.4	15.7
Zinc, including alloys	203.0	179.6	226.6	204.3	203.5	183.7	-10.4	11.4
Metal fabricated basic products	226.2	210.2	218.0	203.2	160.1	144.9	3.9	36.2
Passenger automobiles and chassis	2,945.3	2,692.2	2,649.1	2,424.5	2,414.4	2,272.7	11.2	9.7
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	998.5	911.9	864.5	785.8	775.5	729.5	72.5	11.5
Other motor vehicles	139.0	129.7	114.9	102.8	117.9	107.0	15.0	-2.5
Motor vehicle engines and parts	516.2	473.0	460.8	431.9	543.9	514.7	12.0	-15.3
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,591.3	1,460.5	1,493.2	1,392.0	1,562.9	1,451.5	-6.6	4.5
Televisions, radios and phonographs	28.5	26.8	34.6	33.1	33.5	30.9	-7.6	3.3
Other telecomm. and related equip	321.9	297.1	318.9	289.6	267.6	244.0	0.9	14.2
Office machines and equipment	271.2	245.7	217.1	193.3	205.2	188.9	24.9	5.8
Percent of total exports for selected commodities	73.4	73.6	73.9	74.0	72.3	72.6		

Table 6
DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES
BY LEADING COMMODITY GROUPINGS
(millions of dollars)

	1975			Monthly 1974			Percent Changes 75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
Barley	8.6	2.2	2.9	7.4	9.5	10.3	16.2	-76.8	-71.8
Wheat	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
Whisky	19.0	26.4	34.0	19.5	18.7	17.0	2.7	41.2	100.0
Rapeseed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iron ores and concentrates	43.4	44.0	33.9	44.7	46.0	42.6	-2.9	-4.3	-20.4
Copper in ores, concentrates and scrap	4.9	7.2	5.5	3.4	4.6	3.0	44.1	56.5	83.3
Nickel in ores, concentrates and scrap	2.0	3.6	1.4	8.5	7.7	7.0	-76.5	-53.2	-80.0
Zinc in ores, concentrates and scrap	1.4	2.1	1.5	4.3	5.9	5.4	-67.4	-64.4	-72.2
Crude petroleum	270.3	264.0	256.9	300.2	311.3	312.4	-10.0	-15.2	-17.8
Natural gas	132.5	115.6	104.8	63.7	49.8	42.0	108.0	132.1	149.5
Asbestos, unmanufactured	10.3	10.2	7.3	9.1	10.3	11.0	13.2	-1.0	-33.6
Lumber, softwood	57.5	58.3	53.1	42.1	40.3	59.1	36.6	44.7	-10.2
Wood pulp and similar pulp	82.3	85.0	76.7	84.5	99.1	102.1	-2.6	-14.2	-24.9
Newsprint paper	65.2	72.0	101.9	110.5	112.7	135.2	-45.0	-36.1	-24.6
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	12.2	42.0	35.1	33.7	35.6	30.1	-4.5	18.0	16.6
Petroleum and coal products	42.7	52.8	43.5	48.8	45.0	35.7	-12.5	17.3	21.8
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	7.4	10.9	10.0	10.3	11.4	11.1	-28.2	-4.4	-9.9
Aluminum, including alloys	24.4	32.6	26.5	25.0	26.1	29.1	-2.4	24.9	-8.9
Copper and alloys	14.6	15.1	18.3	8.8	12.5	24.9	-65.9	-20.8	-26.5
Nickel and alloys	15.2	23.3	22.4	25.8	29.5	28.9	-41.1	-21.0	-22.5
Zinc, including alloys	13.5	14.0	17.4	17.5	13.0	13.6	-22.9	-7.7	-27.9
Metal fabricated basic products	11.1	13.9	16.9	11.6	14.3	17.1	-4.3	-2.8	-1.2
Passenger automobiles and chassis	246.0	281.0	275.9	218.9	301.6	267.8	12.4	-6.8	3.0
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	82.8	80.9	73.5	74.6	82.2	69.4	11.0	-1.6	7.5
Other motor vehicles	6.0	11.0	10.2	10.0	11.2	9.0	-40.0	-1.8	13.3
Motor vehicle engines and parts	42.8	52.4	59.3	28.3	42.1	55.1	51.2	24.5	7.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	123.6	142.8	173.0	95.0	133.2	157.7	30.1	7.2	9.7
Televisions, radios and phonographs	1.4	2.2	3.1	1.5	2.3	2.7	-6.7	-4.3	14.8
Other telecomm. and related equip.	13.0	15.7	18.7	14.7	17.1	18.5	-11.6	-8.2	1.1
Office machines and equipment	10.9	14.4	17.0	12.8	12.5	12.1	-14.8	15.2	40.5
Percent of total exports for selected commodities	48.4	53.4	52.1	51.2	51.9	50.9			

	1975		Year to Date 1974		1973		Percent Changes 75/74		74/73
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73	
Barley	52.3	43.7	55.9	48.6	26.4	21.4	-6.4	111.7	
Wheat	9.0	9.0	15.3	15.2	0.2	0.2	-41.2	...	
Whisky	234.8	215.7	187.3	168.8	224.5	208.2	25.4	-16.6	
Rapeseed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Iron ores and concentrates	429.1	385.7	345.1	300.4	304.3	277.2	24.3	13.4	
Copper in ores, concentrates and scrap	57.7	52.8	57.4	54.0	43.3	37.0	0.5	32.6	
Nickel in ores, concentrates and scrap	67.2	65.2	95.8	87.3	100.0	88.8	-29.9	-4.2	
Zinc in ores, concentrates and scrap	39.0	37.7	58.0	53.7	23.4	20.8	-32.8	147.9	
Crude petroleum	3,051.5	2,781.2	3,406.8	3,106.5	1,482.1	1,341.9	-10.4	129.9	
Natural gas	1,092.2	959.7	493.6	430.0	350.7	317.1	121.3	40.7	
Asbestos, unmanufactured	98.7	88.4	113.8	104.7	93.0	85.5	-13.3	22.4	
Lumber, softwood	723.4	665.9	873.0	830.9	1,249.8	1,168.1	-17.1	-30.1	
Wood pulp and similar pulp	990.7	908.3	1,060.4	975.9	639.7	578.6	-6.6	65.8	
Newsprint paper	1,358.2	1,293.0	1,352.8	1,234.2	1,067.8	982.3	0.4	26.7	
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	379.2	347.1	340.9	307.2	218.6	198.0	11.2	55.9	
Petroleum and coal products	491.3	448.6	497.6	448.7	292.9	261.5	-1.3	69.9	
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	104.5	97.1	125.1	114.8	90.0	82.1	-16.5	39.0	
Aluminum, including alloys	266.0	241.7	272.6	247.5	202.9	188.0	-2.4	34.4	
Copper and alloys	128.1	113.5	250.3	241.6	215.8	196.8	-48.8	16.0	
Nickel and alloys	310.3	295.0	279.8	254.0	224.4	206.9	10.9	24.7	
Zinc, including alloys	137.0	123.5	183.1	165.6	154.2	139.9	-25.2	18.7	
Metal fabricated basic products	160.7	149.7	174.9	163.3	126.0	114.4	-8.1	38.8	
Passenger automobiles and chassis	2,800.4	2,554.4	2,574.9	2,356.0	2,342.9	2,206.8	8.8	9.9	
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	846.4	763.6	800.6	726.0	716.8	677.1	5.7	11.7	
Other motor vehicles	91.6	85.6	90.7	80.8	105.3	97.3	1.0	-13.9	
Motor vehicle engines and parts	508.2	465.4	456.4	428.2	539.1	510.9	11.3	-15.3	
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,454.8	1,331.2	1,386.4	1,291.4	1,456.5	1,353.3	-4.9	4.8	
Televisions, radios and phonographs	26.8	25.4	32.5	31.0	32.0	29.5	-17.5	1.6	
Other telecomm. and related equip.	170.8	157.8	183.2	168.5	145.4	132.1	-6.8	26.0	
Office machines and equipment	146.0	135.2	117.6	104.8	135.2	128.5	24.1	-13.0	
Percent of total exports for selected commodities	50.7	50.9	50.6	50.5	50.7	51.3			

Table 1
IMPORTS, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
customs value basis
(millions of dollars)

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.K.	U.S.A.	Total excl. U.S. and U.K.	E.E.C.	Japan
1974 Third Quarter	8,371.0	6,513.2	311.1	5,609.5	2,451.4	478.6	398.2
Fourth Quarter	8,621.8	6,609.6	316.2	5,738.0	2,567.6	488.0	425.8
1975 First Quarter	8,676.7	6,912.5	334.5	5,569.4	2,772.8	549.9	395.3
Second Quarter	8,592.0	6,616.1	311.7	5,781.5	2,498.9	486.1	297.9
Third Quarter	8,652.7	6,515.0	289.7	6,039.5	2,323.5	461.5	256.2
Fourth Quarter	8,829.8	6,564.7	294.1	6,161.2	2,374.5	500.7	298.5
1975 July	2,736.9	2,048.0	94.7	1,942.2	700.0	165.0	89.2
August	3,010.9	2,271.9	97.5	2,026.7	886.7	159.8	82.8
September	2,904.9	2,195.2	97.6	2,070.5	736.8	137.7	84.2
October	2,876.8	2,171.4	110.0	2,015.2	751.6	156.2	91.9
November	2,949.5	2,116.2	88.2	2,135.9	725.4	150.2	93.9
December	3,003.5	2,277.1	95.9	2,010.1	897.5	194.2	112.7

Percent changes

December/November	1.8	7.6	8.8	-5.9	23.7	29.3	20.0
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	2.0	0.8	1.5	2.0	2.2	8.5	16.5
Dec. 75/Dec. 74	3.0	-1.2	-15.3	4.7	1.7	3.4	-19.9

E.E.C. Excludes United Kingdom, Ireland and Denmark

Table 2
IMPORTS BY PRINCIPAL TRADING AREAS
(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Percent Changes		
	1975			1974			75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
United Kingdom	91.1	85.5	106.1	106.1	99.8	103.4	-14.1	-14.3	2.6
United States	1,967.4	2,151.9	2,207.7	1,810.3	2,025.1	2,093.9	8.5	6.3	5.4
Japan	107.3	101.1	104.5	128.6	160.8	162.8	-16.6	-37.1	-35.8
E.E.C.	179.7	157.2	165.1	170.2	160.0	163.6	5.6	-1.8	0.9
Latin America	139.3	119.0	172.1	148.7	143.8	137.6	-6.3	-17.2	25.1
Commonwealth Ex. U.K.	78.0	112.9	93.1	106.8	134.3	126.9	-27.0	-15.9	-26.6
Other Countries	379.8	257.7	250.3	278.1	300.9	302.3	36.6	-14.4	-17.2
All Countries	2,938.6	2,985.3	3,098.9	2,748.8	3,024.7	3,090.5	6.9	-1.3	0.3

	Year to Date						Percent Changes	
	1975		1974		1973		75/74	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
United Kingdom	1,226.6	1,135.6	1,126.5	1,020.4	1,005.4	935.5	8.9	12.0
United States	23,516.4	21,552.9	21,305.9	19,495.6	16,502.0	15,111.2	10.4	29.1
Japan	1,232.8	1,125.5	1,428.1	1,299.5	1,010.9	934.7	-13.7	41.3
E.E.C.	1,982.3	1,802.6	1,814.7	1,644.5	1,393.2	1,283.5	9.2	30.3
Latin America	1,656.4	1,517.2	1,830.2	1,681.5	883.7	795.6	-9.5	105.9
Commonwealth Ex. U.K.	1,018.1	940.1	1,039.6	932.8	805.5	714.6	-2.1	29.1
Other Countries	4,034.8	3,655.0	3,094.4	2,816.3	1,717.9	1,572.1	30.4	80.1
All Countries	34,667.4	31,728.9	31,639.4	28,890.6	23,323.6	21,347.2	9.6	35.7

E.E.C. Excludes United Kingdom, Ireland and Denmark

Table 3
IMPORTS BY SECTIONS
(millions of dollars)

	1975			Monthly 1974			Percent Changes 75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
Live Animals	3.9	6.7	6.0	6.7	9.6	10.1	-41.4	-30.2	-40.6
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	210.0	255.8	270.2	237.8	263.4	242.9	-11.7	-2.9	11.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	460.0	451.7	354.1	346.1	382.9	388.3	32.9	-7.6	-8.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	494.5	525.1	547.1	540.4	622.7	633.3	-8.5	-15.7	-13.6
End Products, Inedible	1,737.3	1,818.0	1,891.9	1,590.4	1,716.3	1,787.0	9.2	5.9	5.9
Special Transactions, Trade	3.0	26.0	29.6	27.2	30.0	29.0	21.3	-13.3	2.1
Total Trade	2,938.6	2,985.3	3,098.9	2,748.8	3,024.7	3,090.5	6.9	-1.3	0.3
Special Transactions, Non Trade	28.8	32.0	44.6	46.1	61.0	47.3	-37.1	-51.5	-5.7

	1975		Year to Date 1974		1973		Percent Changes 75/74	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
Live Animals	3.9	71.1	109.3	102.6	137.1	121.2	-31.4	-20.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	2,619.8	2,409.8	2,404.5	2,166.7	1,844.4	1,654.5	9.0	30.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	5,078.1	4,618.1	4,072.4	3,726.2	2,016.3	1,811.9	24.7	102.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	5,953.8	5,459.1	6,481.7	5,941.2	4,281.6	3,895.3	-8.1	51.4
End Products, Inedible	20,610.1	19,872.8	18,282.1	16,691.7	14,797.4	13,635.3	12.7	23.5
Special Transactions, Trade	330.8	297.8	289.4	262.2	246.7	229.1	14.3	17.3
Total Trade	34,667.4	31,728.4	31,639.4	28,890.6	23,323.6	21,347.2	9.6	35.7
Special Transactions, Non Trade	577.7	548.8	599.6	553.5	527.1	495.6	-3.7	13.8

Table 4
IMPORTS BY PROVINCE OF CLEARANCE
(millions of dollars)

	1975			Monthly 1974			Percent Changes 75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
Newfoundland	32.3	27.2	31.0	35.3	60.2	20.8	-10.0	-54.8	49.0
Nova Scotia	33.4	88.2	50.0	84.5	65.1	100.1	10.5	35.5	-50.0
Prince Edward Island	1.3	1.4	0.4	0.7	1.3	0.6	85.7	7.7	-33.3
New Brunswick	153.9	28.4	35.9	65.6	62.7	81.1	134.6	-53.9	-55.7
Quebec	590.4	692.1	758.2	658.8	746.0	727.1	-10.4	-7.2	4.3
Ontario	1,623.3	1,718.1	1,764.4	1,422.2	1,627.1	1,666.1	14.1	5.6	5.9
Manitoba	94.0	88.7	97.7	92.0	79.0	102.4	2.2	12.3	-4.6
Saskatchewan	35.2	30.2	26.6	31.8	28.3	29.2	10.7	6.7	-8.9
Alberta	109.6	100.9	97.9	78.5	98.3	86.2	-39.6	2.6	13.6
British Columbia	205.1	209.3	236.6	278.7	256.4	276.6	-26.4	-18.4	-14.5
Yukon	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	50.0	-50.0	-50.0
Total	2,938.6	2,985.3	3,098.9	2,748.8	3,024.7	3,090.5			

	1975		Year to Date 1974		1973		Percent Changes 75/74	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
Newfoundland	402.8	370.5	333.9	298.0	103.3	91.5	20.6	223.2
Nova Scotia	1,227.9	1,134.5	1,075.0	990.5	632.6	576.3	14.2	69.9
Prince Edward Island	8.6	7.3	7.8	7.2	7.5	6.5	10.3	4.0
New Brunswick	914.9	760.9	742.2	676.6	388.6	363.6	23.3	91.0
Quebec	8,393.9	7,803.5	7,858.5	7,199.6	5,449.1	4,942.2	6.8	44.2
Ontario	18,415.4	16,792.2	16,564.7	15,142.5	13,208.9	12,121.6	11.2	25.4
Manitoba	1,106.3	1,012.3	940.6	848.6	674.6	620.0	17.6	39.4
Saskatchewan	397.9	362.7	314.0	282.2	188.1	174.2	26.7	66.9
Alberta	1,197.8	1,086.3	922.0	843.6	647.3	595.4	29.9	42.4
British Columbia	2,597.4	2,392.4	2,876.2	2,597.4	2,020.2	1,853.0	-9.7	42.4
Yukon	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.3	3.4	3.1	2.2	37.4
Total	34,667.4	31,728.9	31,639.4	28,890.6	23,323.6	21,347.2		

Table 5
IMPORTS FROM ALL COUNTRIES
BY LEADING COMMODITY GROUPINGS
(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Percent Changes		
	1975			1974			75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
Meat, fresh, chilled or frozen	13.7	15.0	16.0	15.9	14.5	18.5	-13.8	3.4	-13.5
Raw sugar	24.8	65.3	53.1	48.1	79.3	44.1	-48.4	-17.7	20.4
Coal	61.5	66.2	59.0	22.9	49.2	36.1	168.6	34.6	63.4
Crude petroleum	304.0	191.1	179.3	230.9	244.6	252.4	31.7	-21.9	-29.0
Organic chemicals	33.5	33.2	36.8	32.7	33.6	31.8	2.4	-1.2	15.7
Plastics materials, not shaped	23.2	25.7	25.5	27.0	36.0	36.3	-14.1	-28.6	-29.8
Fuel oil	2.1	0.1	12.8	19.0	27.7	21.6	-88.9	-99.6	-40.7
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	19.2	17.7	18.4	51.8	69.1	61.2	-62.9	-74.4	-69.9
Wheel tractors, new	34.2	26.5	27.7	22.9	22.1	27.7	49.3	19.9	0.0
Sedans, new	217.2	287.8	244.6	149.1	206.6	198.1	45.7	39.3	23.5
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	24.3	27.8	23.8	13.5	20.3	20.0	80.0	36.9	-19.0
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	69.6	70.1	65.6	69.2	82.9	85.1	-0.6	-15.4	-22.9
Other motor vehicles	21.2	27.2	25.1	23.3	23.4	24.3	-9.0	16.2	3.3
Motor vehicle engines	45.1	44.9	40.2	37.1	41.8	38.3	21.6	7.4	5.0
Motor vehicle engine parts	44.4	40.2	42.6	27.7	35.2	33.5	60.3	14.2	27.2
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	310.7	355.7	330.8	288.1	312.1	337.0	7.8	14.0	-1.8
Aircraft, complete with engines	11.7	10.4	29.1	73.2	28.7	20.3	-84.0	-63.8	43.3
Aircraft engines and parts	16.7	16.0	25.7	13.2	7.7	9.3	26.5	107.8	176.3
Aircraft parts, except engines	12.8	12.5	16.2	16.2	13.7	13.8	-21.0	-8.8	-17.4
Other transportation equipment	19.7	22.8	21.5	34.5	41.2	40.7	-42.9	-44.7	-47.2
Telephone and telegraph equipment	5.5	6.8	8.2	5.9	10.6	7.9	-6.8	-35.8	3.8
Televisions, radios and phonographs	14.9	25.6	27.5	19.4	29.2	33.7	-23.2	-12.3	-18.4
Electronic tubes and semi-conductors	8.2	9.2	9.0	7.9	10.3	12.6	3.8	-10.7	-28.6
Other telecomm. and related equip	35.6	37.3	45.7	38.7	40.7	44.7	-8.0	-8.4	2.2
Navigation equipment	1.6	1.8	1.5	0.9	1.0	0.7	77.8	80.0	114.3
Other measuring, lab. equipment etc	18.5	17.7	20.9	18.7	17.2	18.4	-1.1	2.9	13.6
Electronic computers	34.3	29.0	31.9	28.6	27.1	29.1	19.9	7.0	9.6
Other office machines and equipment	37.8	22.8	31.8	26.9	26.2	24.5	40.5	-13.0	29.8
Outerwear, knitted	17.7	15.9	18.0	11.2	10.6	11.6	58.0	50.0	55.2
Books and pamphlets	14.8	16.6	20.6	12.9	14.4	17.4	14.7	15.3	18.4
Percent of total imports for selected commodities	51.0	51.5	48.7	50.5	52.1	50.2			

	Year to Date						Percent Changes	
	1975		1974		1973		75/74	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
Meat, fresh, chilled or frozen	180.0	166.4	169.1	153.2	201.7	180.9	6.4	-16.2
Raw sugar	459.6	434.8	401.8	353.7	162.0	143.1	14.4	148.0
Coal	576.3	514.8	302.9	280.0	167.1	149.5	90.3	81.3
Crude petroleum	3,299.2	2,995.2	2,646.2	2,415.4	940.7	840.0	24.7	181.3
Organic chemicals	365.1	331.8	358.2	325.4	210.3	193.0	2.0	70.3
Plastics materials, not shaped	245.7	222.4	347.9	321.0	195.2	178.0	29.4	78.2
Fuel oil	107.2	105.0	236.2	217.2	131.8	109.0	54.6	79.2
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	277.4	258.2	472.2	420.4	222.6	205.1	41.3	112.1
Wheel tractors, new	390.0	355.8	253.9	231.0	184.2	172.7	53.6	37.8
Sedans, new	2,270.3	2,053.1	1,805.1	1,656.0	1,568.8	1,437.3	25.8	15.1
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	258.2	233.9	204.1	190.6	207.8	192.6	26.5	-1.8
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	808.3	738.7	825.9	756.8	570.2	521.4	-2.1	44.8
Other motor vehicles	324.3	303.1	281.8	258.5	230.2	214.8	15.1	22.4
Motor vehicle engines	437.3	392.2	400.5	363.4	382.3	355.1	9.2	4.8
Motor vehicle engine parts	407.6	363.2	333.3	305.6	366.9	344.0	22.3	-9.2
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	3,594.5	3,283.8	3,193.6	2,905.5	2,754.5	2,552.2	12.6	15.9
Aircraft, complete with engines	290.8	279.1	376.4	303.2	260.1	218.8	-22.7	44.7
Aircraft engines and parts	205.0	188.3	124.2	111.0	106.7	97.8	65.1	16.4
Aircraft parts, except engines	181.6	168.8	166.6	150.4	144.1	132.7	9.0	15.6
Other transportation equipment	325.1	305.4	357.9	323.4	213.5	197.1	-9.2	67.6
Telephone and telegraph equipment	90.1	84.6	86.2	80.3	71.4	65.5	4.5	20.7
Televisions, radios and phonographs	221.0	206.1	266.0	246.6	231.9	215.9	-16.9	14.7
Electronic tubes and semi-conductors	93.0	84.8	143.6	135.7	130.2	118.9	-35.2	10.3
Other telecomm. and related equip	449.5	414.0	461.7	422.9	379.3	348.9	-2.6	21.7
Navigation equipment	19.0	17.4	12.1	11.2	15.6	14.6	57.0	-22.4
Other measuring, lab. equipment etc	238.8	220.3	207.4	188.7	180.9	167.0	15.1	14.6
Electronic computers	344.6	310.3	333.1	304.5	276.8	251.3	3.5	20.3
Other office machines and equipment	329.5	291.7	275.6	248.8	220.4	202.9	19.6	25.0
Outerwear, knitted	190.5	172.8	151.8	140.6	133.1	123.9	25.5	14.0
Books and pamphlets	206.2	191.4	172.2	159.3	154.6	143.5	19.7	11.4
Percent of total imports for selected commodities	49.6	49.4	48.6	48.4	47.2	47.3		

Table 6
IMPORTS FROM THE UNITED STATES
BY LEADING COMMODITY GROUPINGS
(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Percent Changes		
	1975			1974			75/74		
	December	November	October	December	November	October	December	November	October
Meat, fresh, chilled or frozen	9.4	11.0	10.9	8.8	8.3	11.1	6.8	32.5	-1.8
Raw sugar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coal	61.5	66.2	59.0	22.8	49.2	36.1	169.7	34.6	63.4
Crude petroleum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Organic chemicals	23.5	22.0	24.0	18.3	22.0	22.4	28.4	0.0	7.1
Plastics materials, not shaped	20.3	22.3	23.3	17.7	24.5	25.0	14.7	9.0	6.8
Fuel oil	1.0	0.1	0.0	4.1	2.1	1.9	-75.6	-95.2	-100.0
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	8.1	8.0	9.6	26.6	32.6	27.3	-69.5	-75.5	-64.8
Wheel tractors, new	26.3	22.3	25.5	18.3	19.2	24.1	43.7	16.1	5.8
Sedans, new	189.3	251.6	223.1	129.1	182.4	170.6	46.6	37.9	30.8
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	19.3	23.7	18.6	10.8	16.2	15.1	78.7	46.3	23.2
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	68.1	68.3	62.4	65.4	79.1	81.0	4.1	-13.7	-23.0
Other motor vehicles	18.5	24.2	20.4	16.3	17.3	18.9	13.5	39.9	7.9
Motor vehicle engines	36.1	39.3	33.8	33.1	37.7	32.4	9.1	4.2	4.3
Motor vehicle engine parts	43.2	39.3	40.9	26.4	33.9	32.3	63.6	15.9	26.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	299.4	346.5	321.2	276.6	302.8	328.7	8.2	14.4	-2.3
Aircraft, complete with engines	11.7	9.8	29.0	73.2	28.7	20.3	-84.0	-65.9	42.9
Aircraft engines and parts	15.3	14.2	23.4	11.2	6.7	7.7	36.6	111.9	203.9
Aircraft parts, except engines	11.8	11.8	15.4	15.8	13.4	13.3	-25.3	-11.9	15.8
Other transportation equipment	12.7	16.7	15.6	24.1	32.9	32.8	-47.3	-49.2	-52.4
Telephone and telegraph equipment	4.2	5.9	6.2	4.5	7.8	6.2	-6.7	-24.4	0.0
Televisions, radios and phonographs	5.4	11.8	12.6	8.3	12.2	14.2	34.9	-3.3	-11.3
Electronic tubes and semi-conductors	5.6	6.8	7.1	6.0	8.1	9.7	-6.7	-16.0	-26.8
Other telecomm. and related equip.	22.4	24.2	29.6	26.6	25.3	27.4	15.8	4.3	8.0
Navigation equipment	1.5	1.7	1.4	0.7	0.9	0.6	114.3	88.9	133.3
Other measuring, lab. equipment etc.	13.2	13.6	16.0	13.5	13.8	14.1	2.2	1.4	13.5
Electronic computers	31.1	28.5	30.6	26.0	26.2	26.8	19.6	8.8	14.2
Other office machines and equipment	16.1	14.4	20.2	14.8	14.9	14.3	8.8	-3.4	41.3
Outerwear, knitted	0.8	1.3	1.4	0.8	1.0	1.2	0.0	30.0	16.7
Books and pamphlets	10.2	12.4	15.3	9.3	10.4	13.2	9.7	19.2	15.9
Percent of total imports for selected commodities	33.6	37.4	35.4	33.1	34.0	33.3			

	1975		Year to Date 1974		1973		Percent Changes	
	December	November	December	November	December	November	75/74	74/73
Meat, fresh, chilled or frozen	107.8	98.5	70.9	62.1	75.6	69.6	52.0	-6.2
Raw sugar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coal	574.2	512.6	302.8	280.0	167.1	149.5	89.6	81.2
Crude petroleum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Organic chemicals	245.5	222.0	239.5	221.2	140.4	128.7	2.5	70.6
Plastics materials, not shaped	214.6	194.3	277.4	259.7	174.1	158.3	-22.6	59.3
Fuel oil	12.9	11.9	36.5	32.4	21.2	19.4	-64.7	72.2
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	131.1	123.0	253.4	226.8	120.6	107.8	-48.3	110.1
Wheel tractors, new	312.9	286.6	202.6	184.4	140.8	133.1	54.4	43.9
Sedans, new	1,973.1	1,783.8	1,477.0	1,347.9	1,288.0	1,171.4	33.6	14.7
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	199.0	179.7	143.9	133.1	151.4	138.4	38.3	5.0
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	771.7	703.5	777.2	711.8	539.0	492.4	-0.7	44.2
Other motor vehicles	251.4	233.0	198.3	182.0	167.6	154.4	26.8	18.3
Motor vehicle engines	379.0	343.0	360.4	327.3	337.9	312.6	5.2	6.7
Motor vehicle engine parts	392.8	349.6	319.0	292.6	352.4	330.5	23.1	-9.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	3,480.4	3,181.1	3,078.6	2,802.0	2,675.7	2,478.4	13.1	15.1
Aircraft, complete with engines	281.4	269.6	367.2	294.0	247.5	206.2	-23.4	48.4
Aircraft engines and parts	179.6	164.3	103.0	91.8	75.7	68.5	74.4	36.1
Aircraft parts, except engines	173.9	162.1	161.0	145.2	137.4	126.7	8.0	17.2
Other transportation equipment	201.5	188.9	244.5	220.3	107.1	97.5	-17.6	128.3
Telephone and telegraph equipment	70.0	65.8	65.6	61.1	52.6	48.1	6.7	24.7
Televisions, radios and phonographs	95.2	89.7	107.9	99.6	100.6	93.9	-11.8	7.3
Electronic tubes and semi-conductors	70.8	65.2	107.5	101.5	104.8	95.6	-34.1	2.6
Other telecomm. and related equip.	304.1	281.7	302.1	275.4	247.4	227.2	0.7	22.1
Navigation equipment	16.6	15.1	10.5	9.8	14.3	13.4	58.1	-28.6
Other measuring, lab. equipment etc.	183.1	169.9	161.4	147.9	141.1	130.1	13.4	14.4
Electronic computers	324.5	293.4	317.1	291.1	262.0	237.9	2.3	21.0
Other office machines and equipment	197.4	181.4	158.9	144.0	136.2	125.7	24.2	18.7
Outerwear, knitted	13.3	12.5	10.6	9.8	6.1	5.6	25.5	73.8
Books and pamphlets	156.8	146.6	131.6	122.3	118.0	109.9	19.1	11.5
Percent of total imports for selected commodities	32.6	32.6	31.6	31.4	34.7	34.8		

Canada's Foreign Trade in Machinery and Equipment Except Automotive Products, First Nine Months 1975 and 1974

(\$ millions)

	1974		1975		Change —>	
	U.S.	Other Countries	U.S.	Other Countries	U.S.	Other Countries
Domestic Exports						
Power Generating Machinery	31.0	20.9	31.8	40.5	.8	19.6
Other General Purpose Industrial Machinery	54.8	34.5	70.7	48.3	15.9	13.8
Materials Handling Machinery and Equipment	70.5	23.6	56.6	31.3	-13.8	7.7
Drilling, Excavating, Mining and Const. Mach.	46.4	43.4	74.9	80.8	28.5	37.4
Metalworking and Woodworking Machinery	66.1	28.1	68.6	42.2	2.5	14.1
Other Special Industries' Machinery	99.1	26.8	85.9	40.8	-13.1	14.0
Haying, Harvesting, Threshing Machinery	132.6	8.3	174.7	17.2	42.1	8.9
Other Agricultural Machinery and Equipment	89.1	5.2	104.5	10.6	15.4	5.3
Tractors	50.8	3.8	68.7	22.7	17.9	18.9
Ships, Boats and Parts	39.1	56.3	37.7	17.0	-1.5	-39.2
Aircraft, Aircraft Parts and Engines	239.5	85.5	230.8	86.6	-8.7	1.2
Other Transportation Equipment	51.8	26.7	66.0	45.6	14.2	18.9
Telecommunication and Other Related Equipment	158.9	101.8	143.4	117.0	-15.5	15.1
Electric Lighting and Distribution Equipment	38.6	37.7	35.0	46.7	-3.6	9.0
Navigation, Measuring, Medical Lab. Equipment	58.1	43.1	71.9	52.2	13.8	9.0
Office Machines and Equipment	80.3	70.9	103.8	86.1	23.5	15.2
Other Equipment and Tools	99.4	48.4	85.9	54.9	-13.5	6.5
Total	1,406.1	665.0	1,511.0	840.5	104.9	175.5
Imports						
Power Generating Machinery	153.5	56.4	189.5	88.3	36.0	31.9
Bearings and Power Transmission Equipment	107.3	33.9	116.8	46.4	9.5	12.5
Other General Purpose Industrial Machinery	195.2	39.3	248.0	58.9	52.8	19.6
Materials Handling Machinery and Equipment	200.5	32.4	224.8	45.0	24.3	12.6
Drilling, Mining and Oil Machinery	137.9	23.0	183.4	43.1	45.5	20.1
Excavating Machinery	200.1	19.7	270.8	34.4	70.7	14.6
Construction and Maintenance Machinery	75.2	9.3	108.4	11.2	33.2	1.9
Machine Tools	71.0	33.6	84.6	49.2	13.6	15.6
Other Metalworking Machinery	102.3	31.2	116.4	42.0	14.0	10.8
Printing and Book Binding Machinery	62.5	14.0	71.4	15.9	8.9	1.9
Textile Industries' Machinery	49.0	34.9	42.2	36.7	-6.8	1.8
Other Special Industry Machinery	201.5	84.7	231.9	101.9	30.4	17.2
Haying, Harvesting, Threshing Machinery	121.6	4.3	174.4	10.2	52.8	5.9
Other Agricultural Machinery and Equipment	127.2	11.2	168.6	15.0	41.4	3.8
Wheel Tractors	141.0	40.2	238.7	62.9	97.7	22.7
Other Tractors, Engines and Parts	178.5	25.9	258.5	44.8	80.0	18.9
Aircraft Complete With Engines	245.0	9.1	231.0	8.7	-14.1	-4
Aircraft Parts and Engines	195.9	21.0	261.5	25.2	65.5	4.3
Other Transportation Equipment	304.5	141.9	334.1	168.6	29.7	26.7
Televisions, Radios and Semi-Conductors	156.9	139.6	116.5	103.1	-40.4	-36.5
Other Telecommunication and Related Equipment	269.8	129.3	281.4	118.9	11.6	-10.4
Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Equipment	122.5	17.5	116.3	19.7	-6.3	2.3
Elec. Distribution, Control & Lighting Equip.	174.9	49.1	176.2	62.7	1.4	13.6
Measuring, Controlling, Medical Lab Equipment	265.1	56.9	320.1	69.0	55.0	12.1
Safety and Service Industry Equipment	82.7	8.6	92.5	13.1	9.8	4.6
Furniture and Fixtures	77.7	39.4	72.2	32.9	-5.5	-6.5
Hand Tools and Cutlery	91.1	35.6	94.5	40.9	3.4	5.4
Electronic Computers	238.1	10.2	234.2	15.1	-3.9	4.9
Other Office Machinery and Equipment	114.9	83.2	146.6	90.3	31.7	7.1
Miscellaneous Equipment and Tools	353.2	44.8	348.7	47.4	-4.6	2.6
Total	4,816.5	1,280.2	5,554.3	1,521.7	737.8	241.5

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November 1975 — Advance Information.

September 1975	Value of residential and non-residential construction					Total
	Total number of dwelling units	Residen- tail	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	
(\$'000)						
Newfoundland.....	90	2,356	1	87	—	2,444
Prince Edward Island	56	1,408	292	336	162	2,198
Nova Scotia	776	16,477	158	1,932	2,811	21,378
New Brunswick	622	10,626	648	2,179	4,510	17,963
Quebec	5,212	113,587	21,341	47,174	17,221	199,323
Ontario.....	6,825	184,451	28,467	63,999	44,883	321,800
Manitoba	528	12,760	834	6,317	1,340	21,251
Saskatchewan	820	21,829	1,718	7,812	20,696	52,055
Alberta	3,089	86,288	4,683	19,909	12,929	123,809
British Columbia.....	2,024	55,068	7,263	25,128	8,407	95,866
Yukon	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northwest Territories.....	3	138	—	26	—	164
Canada — Unadjusted	20,045	504,988	65,405	174,899	112,959	858,251
Canada — Adjusted	N/A	548,929	68,638	206,630	115,300	939,497
Metropolitan Areas	13,530	333,672	41,876	129,851	70,769	576,168
Calgary	1,167	22,745	312	7,474	2,293	32,824
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	57	1,908	7,095	462	129	9,594
Edmonton	801	29,069	1,970	5,810	2,112	38,961
Halifax	519	11,086	42	1,361	2,658	15,147
Hamilton	481	12,536	1,545	2,773	2,227	19,081
Hull	257	5,951	32	5,264	—	11,247
Kitchener.....	435	12,294	941	375	886	14,496
London.....	492	11,165	808	924	398	13,295
Montreal	3,441	71,609	9,226	17,895	7,245	105,975
Ottawa	367	12,501	350	3,046	4,241	20,138
Quebec	329	8,235	1,841	13,549	2,368	25,993
Regina	516	13,260	897	2,164	8,001	24,322
St. Catharines-Niagara	405	9,060	456	572	3,478	13,566
Saint-John	504	7,331	30	1,315	651	9,327
St. John's	76	1,967	—	76	—	2,043
Saskatoon	117	2,699	102	3,641	6,598	13,040
Sudbury	35	998	10	847	704	2,559
Thunder Bay	76	2,846	503	489	28	3,866
Toronto	1,950	55,801	12,894	39,448	19,347	127,490
Vancouver	764	21,598	1,611	10,797	4,510	38,516
Victoria.....	242	6,959	170	4,494	1,083	12,706
Windsor	119	3,090	345	1,853	477	5,765
Winnipeg	380	8,964	696	5,222	1,335	16,217

Preliminary figures.

For further information order *Building Permits*, November 1975 (64-001, 55¢/\$5.50).**Tobacco and Tobacco Products**, Third Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

Stocks of unmanufactured tobacco (domestic and imported) held in September amounted to 213 million pounds (97 million kilograms) compared to 171 million pounds (78 million kilograms) in September 1974.

For more information, order the third quarter issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics* (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Coal and Coke Statistics, November 1975 — Advance Information.

November coal production increased 5.3% to 2,401,746 tons from 2,281,474 tons a year earlier. Imports increased to 1,802,662 tons from 1,649,575 tons. Industrial consumers used 1,628,111 tons of coal (down 42,807 tons) and 407,193 tons of coke (down 164,431 tons).

For further information, order the November issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Plastic Pipe, 1974.

Shipments of plastic pipe and fittings reached \$127,292,000 in 1974 compared with \$82,834,000 in 1973. Pounds shipped fell slightly in 1974 to 188,056,000 from 193,936,000 in 1973.

For further information, contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Advance information on the pack, shipments and stocks of selected canned fruits and vegetables for October is now available.

For further information, order the October issue of *Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Dairy Review, December 1975 — Advance Information.

An estimated 1.3 billion pounds of milk were produced in December, 14.0% more than a year earlier. This brought the total estimate of production during 1975 to 17.5 billion pounds, up 5.4% from 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian egg production declined 5.9% to 37.6 million dozen in December from 40.0 million a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 7.6% to 23.9 million from 25.9 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 1.5% to 1,880 from 1,853. Farm price of eggs sold for market was up 9.5% to 63.2¢ a dozen from 57.7¢.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact S.M. Ashraf (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Papermakers' and Other Felts, Fourth Quarter, 1975 — Advance Information.

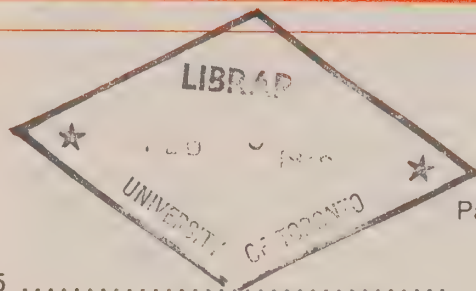
During the fourth quarter of 1975 Canadian manufacturers shipped 234,717 pounds (106 544 kilograms) of woven and needled papermakers' felts and jackets valued at \$3,213,477 to Canadian mills. In the same quarter of 1974, totals were 448,319 pounds (203 503 kilograms) with a value of \$5,510,780.

For further information, order *Miscellaneous Industries Service Bulletin* (47-003, \$1.40 a year), or contact C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Grain Milling Statistics, October 1975** (32-003, 30¢/\$3)



Indexes of Real Domestic Product, November 1975 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product increased by 0.6% in November to 116.2 from 115.5 in October. Most of the increase was due to substantial gains in mining, manufacturing and construction.

In mining, iron ore mines, other metal mines and asbestos mines recorded significant increases, due mainly to resumption of production following scattered strikes in each of the three areas. Non-durable manufacturing rose by 2.2% in November. This increase was due in part to a 5.5% gain in paper and allied industries, resulting from the return to work of some 13,000 pulp and paper workers, most of them in British Columbia. Industrial chemical manufacturers also increased strongly as a result of strike recovery.

Durables manufacturing rose 1.0%, resulting from production increases recorded by motor vehicle manufacturers and manufacturers of major appliances.

Among other goods-producing industries, construction and agriculture registered strong increases of 0.3% and 1.5%, respectively. For the seventh consecutive month, the strength within construction was due mainly to the continued growth of residential construction. It should be noted that monthly revisions to grain and livestock data have been incorporated in the agriculture component dating back to January 1975.

Transportation, storage and communication industries were down by 1.3% in November. Although air transport and railway transport increased slightly, the communication component was down 4.5% as a result of the national postal strike which began in October and continued through November. (Users should note that the retail trade and wholesale trade estimates for October have been revised due to the incorporation of more complete data and that retail trade and wholesale trade were again estimated in November.) Finance, insurance and real estate increased 0.4% while public administration and defence rose 0.3%. The commodity, business and personal services component remained unchanged in November. The education component was affected by a strike in Ontario which commenced about the middle of November.

For further information, order the November issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact K.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

	R.D.P.	Agriculture	Goods	Commercial
Jan.	114.4	83.9	109.2	114.8
Feb.	114.7	80.7	108.6	115.0
Mar.	113.6	80.4	107.4	113.7
Apr.	114.3	81.5	107.9	114.5
May	114.1	80.6	106.8	114.2
June	115.0	80.9	107.9	115.2
July	115.9	80.9	108.2	116.0

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Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended January 21, 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Carload traffic reported by railways in Canada during the third week of January declined 9.2% from the 1975 period to 3.9 million tons (3.5 million metric tonnes). Tonnage loaded east of the Lakehead dropped 15.0% while in the West traffic was down 2.9%.

Piggyback shipments at 169,742 tons (153 987 metric tonnes) were 4.9% below those of 1975. Both regions of the country registered declines in trailer and container freight with the East off 2.0% and the West down 12.7%.

Rail freight loaded in the first three weeks of 1976 totalled 10.4 million tons (9.4 million metric tonnes), a drop of 12.8% from the similar 21 days of 1975. Cumulative eastern loadings, in terms of tons, were 15.3% lower, while those in the West were down 9.8%.

Piggyback loadings since the beginning of the current year were running 6.7% behind the 1975 pace.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.K. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Advance information on the pack, shipments and stocks of selected canned fruits and vegetables for November is now available.

For further information, order the November issue of *Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 674.6 million feet board measure of lumber and ties in November compared to 523.2 million a year earlier. January to November production decreased to 6,762.3 million feet board measure from 8,265.5 million feet for the same 1974 period.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stoves and Ranges, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in November decreased 6.2% to 33,614 units from 35,838 units in November 1974. Closing inventory of these products decreased 48.6% to 51,858 units from 100,841.

For further information, order the November issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl-Asbestos Floor Tile, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,642 short tons (4 211 metric tonnes) or 9,605,157 square feet (892 348 square metres) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in December compared to 5,546 tons (5 031 metric tonnes) or 11,317,254 square feet (1 051 407 square metres) in December 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile — Service Bulletin* (47-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971	1975				% Change
	percentage weight	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	
Real Domestic Product	100.000	115.9	116.1	115.5	116.2	0.6
Agriculture	3.371	79.2	80.8	79.6	80.8	1.5
Forestry	.715	110.3	95.7	75.1	68.7	-8.5
Fishing and Trapping	.181	69.2	88.3	65.3	79.0	21.0
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.4	104.9	100.6	105.4	4.8
Manufacturing industries	22.862	112.0	111.4	110.9	112.6	1.5
Construction industry	6.990	102.6	104.4	104.5	107.6	3.0
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	125.3	125.1	124.1	122.6	-1.3
Transportation	5.874	118.9	115.8	116.9	117.8	0.7
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	159.7	157.0	160.8	163.2	1.5
Railway transport	1.700	114.8	105.5	107.8	109.8	1.9
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	129.7	139.7	134.6	126.4	-6.1
Urban transit systems	.250	105.6	108.4	111.0	115.6	4.1
Pipeline transport	.489	129.6	128.6	126.4	124.8	-1.3
Storage	.258	87.5	112.1	103.8	100.8	-2.9
Grain elevators	.177	76.8	115.1	102.8	98.2	-4.5
Communication	2.964	141.1	144.5	140.2	133.9	-4.5
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.0	129.6	129.9	128.9	0.8
Trade	11.367	118.4	119.6	119.0
Wholesale trade	4.509	116.6	120.9	116.4
Wholesale merchants	3.242	117.9	123.0	118.4
Retail trade	6.858	119.6	118.8	120.8
Food stores	1.368	104.4	103.5	105.4
General merchandise stores	1.562	131.8	127.8	132.4
Department stores	.927	146.9	139.3	145.7
Other general merchandise stores	.635	109.9	111.1	112.9
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	150.3	142.5	145.6
Clothing stores	.462	118.6	116.7	117.7
Hardware stores	.098	100.6	103.6	104.9
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	121.3	122.5	118.8
Drug stores	.290	113.0	113.0	111.9
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	122.7	123.6	123.6	124.2	0.4
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	120.6	120.6	121.0	121.0	—
Education and related services	6.509	112.2	109.0	110.1	109.0	-1.0
Health and welfare service	5.272	126.8	127.0	127.1	127.7	0.5
Amusement and recreation services	.427	130.6	135.8	137.8	140.0	1.6
Services to business management	2.311	126.3	128.4	129.6	130.0	0.3
Personal services	1.000	105.9	106.3	106.5	106.5	0.1
Accommodation and food services	2.799	126.5	129.3	127.9	128.5	0.5
Public administration and defence	7.388	119.5	120.1	120.3	120.6	0.3
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	113.1	112.3	111.4	113.2	1.7
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	117.2	117.3	116.8	117.5	0.6
Goods-producing industries	40.754	108.3	107.9	106.7	108.6	1.8
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	110.9	110.4	109.2	111.2	1.8
Service-producing industries	59.246	121.2	121.6	121.6	121.4	-0.1
Commercial industries	81.341	115.9	116.3	115.5	116.4	0.8
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	117.5	117.8	117.1	117.9	0.8
Non-commercial industries	18.659	116.0	115.1	115.5	115.4	-0.1
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	110.3	108.2	106.8	109.1	2.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	113.7	114.6	115.1	116.2	1.0

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending January 21	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	1,911,121	1,984,036	3,895,157
Short tons, 1975	2,248,289	2,042,488	4,290,777
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 733 740	1 799 887	3 533 627
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 039 613	1 852 914	3 892 527
% change	-15.0	-2.9	-9.2
Cars, 1976	34,651	29,942	64,593
Cars, 1975	41,178	32,845	74,023
% change	-15.9	-8.8	-12.7
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	127,831	41,911	169,742
Short tons, 1975	130,409	47,990	178,399
Metric tonnes, 1976	115 966	38 021	153 987
Metric tonnes, 1975	118 305	43 536	161 841
% change	-2.0	-12.7	-4.9
Cars, 1976	5,263	1,762	7,025
Cars, 1975	5,419	2,342	7,761
% change	-2.9	-24.8	-9.5
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	5,416,127	5,000,138	10,416,265
Short tons, 1975	6,396,249	5,545,401	11,941,650
Metric tonnes, 1976	4 913 428	4 536 049	9 449 477
Metric tonnes, 1975	5 802 579	5 030 703	10 833 282
% change	-15.3	-9.8	-12.8
Cars, 1976	93,961	78,089	172,050
Cars, 1975	113,965	87,883	201,848
% change	-17.6	-11.1	-14.8
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	319,238	111,996	431,234
Short tons, 1975	346,610	115,359	461,969
Metric tonnes, 1976	289 608	101 601	391 209
Metric tonnes, 1975	314 439	104 652	419 091
% change	-7.9	-2.9	-6.7
Cars, 1976	12,935	4,869	17,804
Cars, 1975	14,669	5,706	20,375
% change	-11.8	-14.7	-12.6

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

Salt, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine decreased to 503,466 tons in December from 710,746 tons a year earlier. This brought 1975 output to 5,646,670 tons from 6,003,981 tons in 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asbestos, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Producer shipments of asbestos decreased to 140,103 tons in December from 140,702 tons in December 1974. This brought 1975 shipments to 1,163,522 tons from 1,810,664 in 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

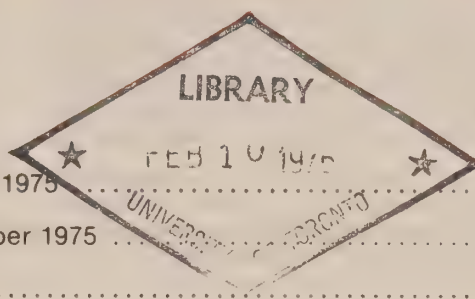
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Month	Release Date
January 1976	February 27, 1976
February 1976	March 26, 1976
March 1976	April 23, 1976
April 1976	May 21, 1976
May 1976	June 25, 1976
June 1976	July 23, 1976
July 1976	August 27, 1976
August 1976	September 24, 1976
September 1976	October 22, 1976
October 1976	November 26, 1976
November 1976	December 24, 1976
December 1976	January 21, 1977

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Canadian Statistical Review, January 1976 (11-003E, 70¢/\$7)

Farm Cash Receipts, November 1975 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Detailed Energy Supply and Demand in Canada, 1973 (57-207, \$1.05)

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Electric Power Statistics, November 1975 (57-001, 30¢/\$3)**Primary Iron and Steel, October 1975 (41-001, 40¢/\$4)****New Motor Vehicle Sales, December 1975 — Advance Information.**

The number of new motor vehicles sold in December reached 112,658 units, up 66.0% from December 1974. This included 74,692 passenger cars (up 76.2%) and 24,444 commercial vehicles (up 45.3%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S. and 12,089 passenger cars (up 57.9%) and 1,433 commercial vehicles (up 42.0%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 85.9% to \$648.7 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$412.9 million (up 110.4%) and commercial vehicles for \$175.4 million (up 49.8%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 68.9% to \$53.9 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 75.2% to \$6.5 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 209 units of coaches and buses valued at \$8.3 million.

Seasonally-adjusted December sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and U.S. increased 15.5% from November to 91,183 units and those of passenger cars from overseas increased 42.5% to 17,087 units. Similarly adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 10.6% to 31,422 units.

For the 12 months, total sales reached 1,313,678 units (1,249,304 in 1974) with an accumulated value of \$7,242.8 million. This represented an increase of 22.4% in value over sales in 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Refined Petroleum Products, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Preliminary information indicates Canadian refineries produced 53,575,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in November, a decrease of 0.01% compared to the latest available data for November 1974.

Preliminary data shows net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 46,268,000 barrels, a decrease of 9.9% from November 1974.

For further information, order the November issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oils and Fats

October 1975 — Advance Information

Manufacturer's Sales

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975
	'000 lbs.					
Retail sales (20 lbs. or less)	24,209	26,652	5,418	6,102	4,913	5,950
Commercial sales (21-450 lbs.)	797	1,100	15,167	13,900	1,389	1,547
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers	9,456	11,063	1,485	2,777	3,400	4,907
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers	—	—	13,995	16,570	3,661	3,188

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

For further information, order October 1975 issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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February 1976	March 16, 1976
March 1976	April 13, 1976
April 1976	May 11, 1976
May 1976	June 8, 1976
June 1976	July 13, 1976
July 1976	August 10, 1976
August 1976	September 14, 1976
September 1976	October 12, 1976
October 1976	November 9, 1976
November 1976	December 7, 1976
December 1976	January 11, 1977
January 1976	February 8, 1977

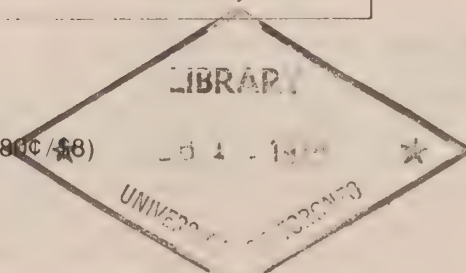
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Exports by Commodities, November 1975 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

Consumer Credit, November 1975 (61-004, 30¢/\$3)

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Motion Picture Production, 1974 (63-206, 70¢)

Asbestos, December 1975 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Miscellaneous Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries, 1973 (44-210, 70¢)

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, January 1976 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Refractories Manufacturers, 1973 (44-214, 70¢)

Concrete Products November 1975 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, November 1975 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, November 1975 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, November 1975 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, November 1975 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Cane and Beet Sugar Processors (32-222-p); Vegetable Oil Mills (32-223-p); Leaf Tobacco Processors (32-225-p-1); Fabric Glove Manufacturers (34-218-p-1); Tobacco Products Manufacturers (32-225-p-2)

Service Bulletins:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 2, Monthly Survey of Radio Broadcasting Stations, September 1975;

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 16, Tobacco Stocks — Stocks of Unmanufactured Tobacco in Canada, September 30, 1975;

Chemicals (46-004, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 3, No. 2, Consumption of Urea, 1972 and 1973;

Vinyl-Asbestos Floor Tile (47-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 12, Floor Tiles, December 1975;

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 6, Factory Shipments of High Pressure Decorative Laminate Sheet, Quarter Ended December 31, 1975;

Metals and Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 3, No. 15, Consumption of Non-Metallic Minerals, 1974

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 31 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended January 31 totalled 258,988 short tons (234 950 metric tonnes), a decrease of 0.1% from the preceding week's total of 261,448 short tons (237 180 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 275,734 tons (250 142 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 141.3 in the current week, 142.7 a week earlier and 150.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Both the rapid rise in trade prices and the decline in trade volumes appear to have lost their impetus in the last few periods. On a year-over-year basis the rate of increase in import prices continued to decline and export prices remained about 6% above 1974 for the last three periods. Both import and export volumes, seasonally adjusted, remained below their 1974 levels (by 3% and 7% respectively) but to a lesser extent than in any of the three preceding periods.

For further information, order the December issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

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Export and Import Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971 = 100)

	Imports	Exports
1975		
September	155.3	172.7
October	152.6	172.7
November	152.8	173.7

Change from same period*
12 months earlier

	%	%
1975		
June	19.7	9.7
July	17.0	8.7
August	14.6	6.8
September	12.1	6.4
October	9.6	5.7
November	5.5	6.1

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices
Seasonally Adjusted
(1971 = 100)

1975

	Imports	Exports
September	145.6	113.8
October	142.9	100.8
November	144.5	105.7

Change from same period*
12 months earlier

	%	%
1975		
June	-3.9	-5.4
July	-7.2	-6.2
August	-6.4	-9.5
September	-8.5	-10.0
October	-5.6	-10.4
November	-3.1	-7.3

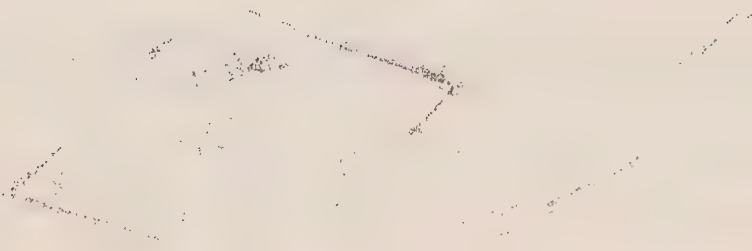
* Three-month moving average for period ending in month indicated.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

January 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Jan. 30/76 This week	Jan. 23/76 Week ago	Jan. 2/76 Month ago
		1971 = 100		
Investors Index	134	105.7	104.8	97.6
Industrials	85	108.8	108.0	98.9
Foods	9	94.7	94.9	90.6
Alcoholic beverages	5	95.0	93.4	85.9
Textiles and clothing	3	135.6	140.9	132.8
Pulp and paper	7	142.6	138.9	119.2
Printing and publishing	5	139.3	143.7	134.9
Primary metals	4	118.7	119.0	111.1
Industrial mines	6	86.9	85.2	76.4
Metal fabricating	9	198.0	190.3	174.6
Non-metallic minerals	4	97.3	97.0	91.0
Petroleum	8	103.5	104.3	97.4
Chemicals	5	131.2	128.4	118.9
Construction	5	199.5	195.1	179.0
Trade	15	102.2	103.6	96.8
Utilities and services	28	87.2	86.2	80.3
Transportation	6	113.8	112.4	102.2
Pipelines	5	75.7	73.9	68.8
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	103.0	102.8	95.5
Telephone	4	89.6	89.5	85.4
Electric power	3	105.1	104.4	101.3
Gas distribution	5	68.3	67.6	61.6
Finances	21	118.3	116.9	117.2
Banks	8	121.9	121.3	122.8
Investment and loan	9	112.8	109.8	106.6
Insurance	4	94.0	91.1	89.8
Mining Index	17	97.2	94.6	94.7
Gold	9	154.7	147.1	153.9
Base metals	8	69.6	69.4	66.2
Uraniums	2	217.4	212.3	193.7
Primary oils and gas index	5	96.2	95.4	88.7

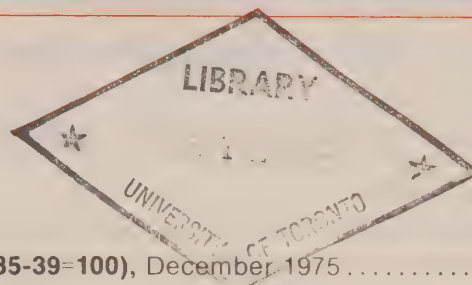
For further information, order the January issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢ / \$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.



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Labour Force Survey

During the past three years, Statistics Canada has completed a major revision of the labour force survey, the source of monthly employment and unemployment estimates.

The revision of the survey, which has remained relatively unchanged since its introduction in 1945, is designed to provide a far more comprehensive range of information to assist in the analysis of current and future labour market conditions. The revised survey will provide a more precise picture of the composition and characteristics of the labour force and, in future, will enable the development of more detailed estimates for both national and provincial data.

The revision came into effect with the January survey, which took place during the week ending January 24, and the results of the revision will be incorporated in the estimates published on the scheduled release date, Tuesday, February 10.

For further information, write to the Labour Force Survey Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6, or telephone Bruce Petrie (613-996-3990), Rick Baxter (992-9543) or Ian Macredie (996-4150).

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Population Estimates for Census Division, 1973 (91-206, 70¢)

Vital Statistics, October-December 1975 (84-001, 35¢/\$1.40)

Urban Transit, November 1975 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Shipping Statistics, August 1975 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

The Sugar Situation, December 1975 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Metal Rolling Casting and Extruding, 1973 (41-215, 70¢)

General Review of the Mineral Industries, Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells, 1973 (26-201, \$1.05)

The Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Industry, 1974 (26-213, 70¢)

Service Bulletins:

Energy Statistics (57-002, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 11, No. 2, Fuel and Electricity Purchased and Consumed by Manufacturing Industries by Major Group, by Region, 1973

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 23, Railway Operating Statistics, November 1975

Miscellaneous Industries (47-003, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 4, Papermakers' and Other Felts, Quarter Ended December 31, 1975

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 7, Shipments of Plastic Pipes, Tubes, Rigid and Semi-Rigid Tubing Etc., by all Industries, 1974

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39 100), December 1975 — Advance Information.

The general wholesale price index rose 0.2% in December to 501.6 from the revised November index of 500.5. It was 3.9% higher than a year earlier. Six of the eight major groups increased. One decreased and one remained the same.

The non-metallic minerals group index increased 1.4% to 413.2 in December from the November index of 407.4, due to increases of 17.3% in the price of asbestos and its products, 6.7% for window glass and 4.3% for plate glass. The wood products group index rose 1.3% due to increases in spruce of 6.6%, fir 4.1%, cedar 3.6% and hemlock 2.1%. The textile products group index increased 1.2% with price rises of 13.4% for raw cotton and 8.5% for domestic raw wool.

The animal products group index rose 0.8% partially as a result of a 22.0% increase in furs. The iron products group index rose 0.2% as the price of wire increased 3.9% and hardware 0.9%. The chemical products group index increased 0.1% with a 1.2% increase in soap and detergents.

The vegetable products group index decreased 1.8% to 455.1 from the revised November index of 463.5 as potatoes decreased 12.4% and grains 6.1%. The non-ferrous metals group index remained unchanged from November to December.

For further information, order the December issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50).

(see table on page 3)

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), 1975 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and traveling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Revenue vehicle miles run in a revenue service includes miles run empty which were necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the chief (613-996-9276), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935=100)

	Dec.* 1975	Nov.* 1975	Dec. 1974	Nov. 1974	% Change	
					Dec./75 Nov./75	Dec./75 Dec./74
General Wholesale Index	501.6	500.5r	483.0	492.0	0.2	3.9
Vegetable products	455.1	463.5r	540.2	569.6	-1.8	-15.8
Animal products	562.2	558.0r	508.4	508.0	0.8	10.6
Textile products	422.7	417.6r	405.3	423.0	1.2	4.3
Wood products	656.4	648.2r	569.6	570.3	1.3	15.2
Iron products	537.7	536.6	479.8	479.5	0.2	12.1
Non-ferrous metals	423.9	424.0r	414.2	422.4	—	2.3
Non-metallic minerals	413.2	407.4	355.1	354.8	1.4	16.4
Chemical products	387.3	386.8r	359.9	353.4	0.1	7.6
Iron and non-ferrous metal (excluding gold)	571.5	570.9	529.4	533.9	0.1	8.0
Raw and partly manufactured goods	477.2	478.6r	486.3	500.4	-0.3	-1.9
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	515.2	512.5r	481.0	487.1	0.5	7.1

* These indexes are preliminary.

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Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), 1975

	Year-to-date	September	October	November	December
Carriers Reporting*		18	18	18	18
Revenue Earned:			Dollars		
Intercity & Rural Services**	112,627,176	9,967,243	8,947,964	8,190,369	10,658,515
Urban-Suburban Services	331,703	25,375	28,885	24,313	23,947
Other Services (e.g. charter)	14,678,449	1,355,355	1,435,431	747,999	592,825
Fare Passengers Carried:			Number		
Intercity & Rural Services**	33,242,010	2,850,829	2,794,257	2,545,519	2,900,529
Urban-Suburban Services	926,085	75,126	74,999	62,537	61,884
Other Services (e.g. charter)	2,575,209	183,560	163,103	111,097	116,254
Vehicle Miles:			Number		
Intercity & Rural Services**	116,367,810	9,844,162	9,587,834	8,869,380	10,553,828
Urban-Suburban Services	498,677	33,008	42,816	34,945	33,665
Other Services (e.g. charter)	12,610,584	956,840	1,178,584	692,824	540,655
Fuel Consumed:			Gallons		
Diesel Oil	—	1,539,890	1,501,239	1,357,596	1,680,394
Gasoline	—	1,995	2,000	2,058	1,598

* Data for one passenger bus carrier were not available at the time of this release.

** Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, Third Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

There were 104,763,000 plastic bottles produced during the third quarter, an increase from 102,441,000 in the same quarter of 1974. Shipments of plastic bottles (excluding intra-company transfers) amounted to 75,226,000 compared to 76,436,000 in 1974. These shipments were valued f.o.b. plant at \$6,204,000 in 1975 and \$6,816,000 in 1974.

For further information, order *Rubber and Plastic Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact John Dornan (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies decreased in October to 351,034,000 feet board measure from 359,972,000 in October 1974. Stocks on hand at the end of October totalled 892,038,000 feet.

For further information, order the October issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Urban Transit, December 1975 — Advance Information.

In December 38 urban transit systems collected 102,665,826 initial passenger fares. Their vehicles travelled 30,046,500 vehicle miles and operating revenues amounted to \$30,076,509.

For further information, order the December issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50) or contact the chief (613-996-9276), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Footwear Statistics, November 1975 — Advance Information.

November production of footwear of all types decreased to 3,613,268 pairs from 4,072,672 in November 1974.

For further information, order the November issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Police Administration, 1974 — Advance Information.

Preliminary figures show police strength in Canada grew to 48,475 officers in 1974 from 45,674 in 1973. Total personnel attached to police forces grew to 58,609 from 55,881 in 1973.

Further information will be included in the 1973-74 issue of *Police Administration Statistics* (85-204, \$1.40).

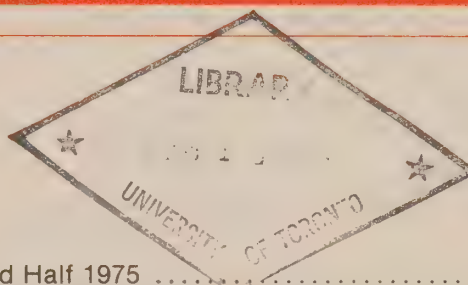
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Police Administration

	Police Strength		Total Personnel	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
Newfoundland	702	751	765	811
Prince Edward Island	164	173	185	201
Nova Scotia	1,112	1,223	1,283	1,389
New Brunswick	960	1,014	1,088	1,164
Quebec	14,451	15,000	16,994	17,332
Ontario	17,013	17,623	22,182	22,687
Manitoba	1,625	1,889	1,962	2,259
Saskatchewan	2,428	2,460	2,810	2,915
Alberta	3,046	3,236	3,613	3,833
British Columbia	4,065	4,860	4,969	5,734
Northwest Territories	18	169	30	195
Yukon Territory	70	77	82	89
Canada	45,674	48,475	55,881	58,609

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Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, January 1976 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Railway Carloadings, December 1975 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

Grain Milling Statistics, November 1975 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Restaurant Statistics, December 1975 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, January 1, 1976 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

Canada's Mineral Production, Preliminary Estimate 1975 (26-202, 70¢)

Market Research Handbook, 1975 (63-224, \$3.50)

Service Bulletin:

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 24, Railway Carloadings, December 1975

Shipments of Forming Fabric, Second Half 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers of forming fabric for paper and pulp machines shipped 843,425 square feet valued at \$5,693,936 to domestic and foreign mills in the second half of 1975 compared to 1,013,066 square feet valued at \$6,594,381 in the second half of 1974.

For further information, order *Miscellaneous Industries Service Bulletin* (47-003, \$1.40 a year).

Fur Production, 1974-75 — Advance Information.

Value of pelts sold during the 1974-75 season was \$41,536,994, down 20% from the previous season. Wildlife pelts brought in \$24,949,708 or 60% of the total. Fur farm production accounted for \$16,587,286, down from \$19,321,892 the previous year.

For further information, order the 1974-75 issue of the *Fur Production* (23-207, 70¢), or contact S.M. Ashraf (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Police Administration, 1974 — Correction.

Preliminary figures show police strength in Canada grew to 48,425 officers in 1974 from 45,884 in 1973. Total personnel attached to police forces grew to 58,559 from 56,064.

These figures correct erroneous ones published in the Daily February 5. A corrected table also is included in this issue.

Further information will be included in the 1973-74 issue of *Police Administration Statistics* (85-204, \$1.40).

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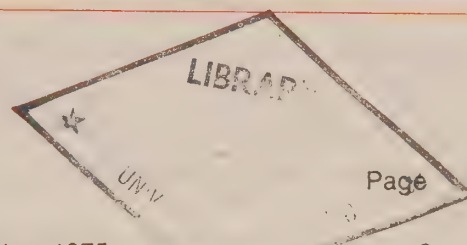
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Ontario	17,031	17,573	22,164	22,637
Manitoba	1,625	1,889	1,962	2,259
Saskatchewan	2,428	2,460	2,810	2,915
Alberta	3,046	3,236	3,613	3,833
British Columbia	4,065	4,860	4,969	5,734
Northwest Territory	142	169	155	195
Yukon Territories	68	77	76	89
Canada	45,884	48,425	56,064	58,559

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Performing Arts Survey

The Education, Science and Culture Division has completed a survey of 51 performing arts organizations. In 1974, theatre, music, dance and opera organizations produced 10,730 performances and the total number of attendants was 5,750,949. Total expenses were \$39,152,244 while total revenue was \$38,229,026, with \$18,919,247 from government and private grants. Similar data are available for 1973.

For further information, contact Roch Bacon (613-995-9682), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Estimates of Labour Income, October 1975 (72-005, 40¢/\$4)

Railway Operating Statistics, November 1975 (52-003, 30¢/\$3)

Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, October 1975 (51-001, 40¢/\$4)

Oilseeds Review, December 1975 (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Consumption of Containers and Other Packaging Supplies by the Manufacturing Industries, 1973 (31-212, 70¢)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for all 1975 were valued at \$1,126.1 billion, an increase of 33.1% above the 1974 figure of \$845.9 million. Repair parts for the same period had a value of \$135.9 million.

For further information, order the December issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Y. Lebel (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian mills shipped 171,650,000 sq. ft. (3/8" basis) of softwood plywood in November, up from 142,182,000 sq. ft. in November 1974.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 25,953,000 sq. ft. surface measure, an increase of 28.4% over the same month in 1974.

For further information, order the November issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Iron Ore, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian mines shipped 4,809,087 tons of iron ore in December compared to 4,338,448 tons in December 1974. This brought 1975 output to 49,318,928 tons from 51,571,084 tons in 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Retail Trade, October 1975 (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Preliminary Bulletin:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Lime Manufacturers (44-209-p)

Service Bulletin:

Energy Statistics (57-002, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 10, No. 45, Pipe Line Movements of Oil and Petroleum Products, by Province, by Month, 1974.



Wholesale Trade, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Sales by wholesale merchants for November were estimated at \$3,858,284,000, a 4.1% increase from November 1974.

In the consumer goods trades one of the most significant sales changes from November 1974 was registered by the tobacco, confectionery and soft drinks component, with an increase of 10.2%. In the industrial goods trades, a notable item was an increase of 16.8% in the category of other construction materials and supplies including lumber.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$5,880,534,000, an increase of 1.1% over November 1974.

For further details, order the November issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Preliminary statistics for December show that 1.6 million United States visitors entered Canada, down 2.7% from December 1974. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.1 million, an increase of 4.7%. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. increased 8.8% to 68,000 while Canadian travellers returning from countries other than the U.S. rose 16.2% to 77,500.

On a year-to-year basis, preliminary statistics show that 35.9 million visitors entered Canada, down 1.3% from 1974. Canadian residents returning from abroad totalled 34.5 million, an increase of 9.5% over 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 7, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended February 7 totalled 257,078 short tons (233 217 metric tonnes), a decrease of 0.7% from the preceding week's total of 258,988 short tons (234 950 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 281,253 tons (255 148 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 140.3 in the current week, 141.5 a week earlier and 153.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Cash Receipts, January-December, 1975 (21-001, 30¢/\$3).

Preliminary estimates indicate that during 1975 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$9,790.1 million compared to \$8,836.5 million realized in 1974. These estimates included cash receipts from the sale of farm products, Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops, cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction was made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the December issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact E.S. Boyko (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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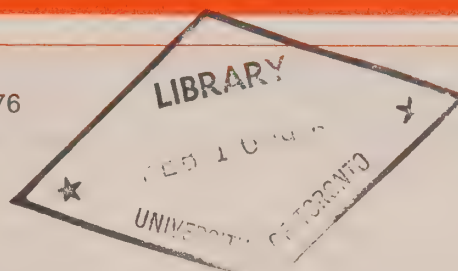
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	1975	1974
Prince Edward Island	81.9	84.4
Nova Scotia	115.8	104.3
New Brunswick	99.1	103.6
Quebec	1,336.5	1,159.9
Ontario	2,531.1	2,413.6
Manitoba	906.0	842.4
Saskatchewan	2,387.2	2,054.7
Alberta	1,933.4	1,702.6
British Columbia	399.1	371.0
Canada	9,790.1	8,836.5

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Prices Review

The quarterly issue of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60) listed today under publications released contains a special supplement reviewing price movements for all of 1975. Such a review will be contained in every fourth quarter issue of this publication.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Employment Earnings and Hours, August 1975 (72-002, 70¢/\$7)

Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, October — December 1975 (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (Including the Index of Industrial Production), October 1975 (61-005, 40¢/\$4)

Wholesale Trade, October 1975 (63-008, \$1.50 per year)

Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks, 1971-1975 (13-211, \$1.40)

Manufacturers of Toilet Preparations, 1973 (46-215, 70¢)

Aluminum Rolling, Casting and Extruding, 1973 (41-204, 70¢)

(continued)

Manufacturers of Soap and Cleaning Compounds, 1973 (46-214, 70¢)

Paint and Varnish Manufacturers, 1973 (46-210, 70¢)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Mineral Industries: Principal Statistics, 1973 (26-204, 35¢)

Preliminary Bulletin:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Breweries (32-205-p)

Service Bulletins:

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 7, Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, Quarter Ended September 30, 1975

Energy Statistics (57-002, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 11, No. 4, Retail Gasoline Statistics by Metropolitan Area, 2nd Quarter 1975.

The Labour Force, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Employment increased and unemployment decreased in January, giving a seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate of 6.6%, down from 7.0% in December. The adjusted rate was 6.5% in January 1975.

Employment, seasonally adjusted, was 9,563,000, up 83,000 from December. For women aged 15 to 24 employment increased by 66,000 and for those 25 and over it was up 21,000. There was a slight increase for men 15 to 24 but a decrease of 8,000 for men 25 and over.

The adjusted unemployment level dipped to 681,000 from 713,000 in December. The major factor was a decline in the unemployment rate for women.

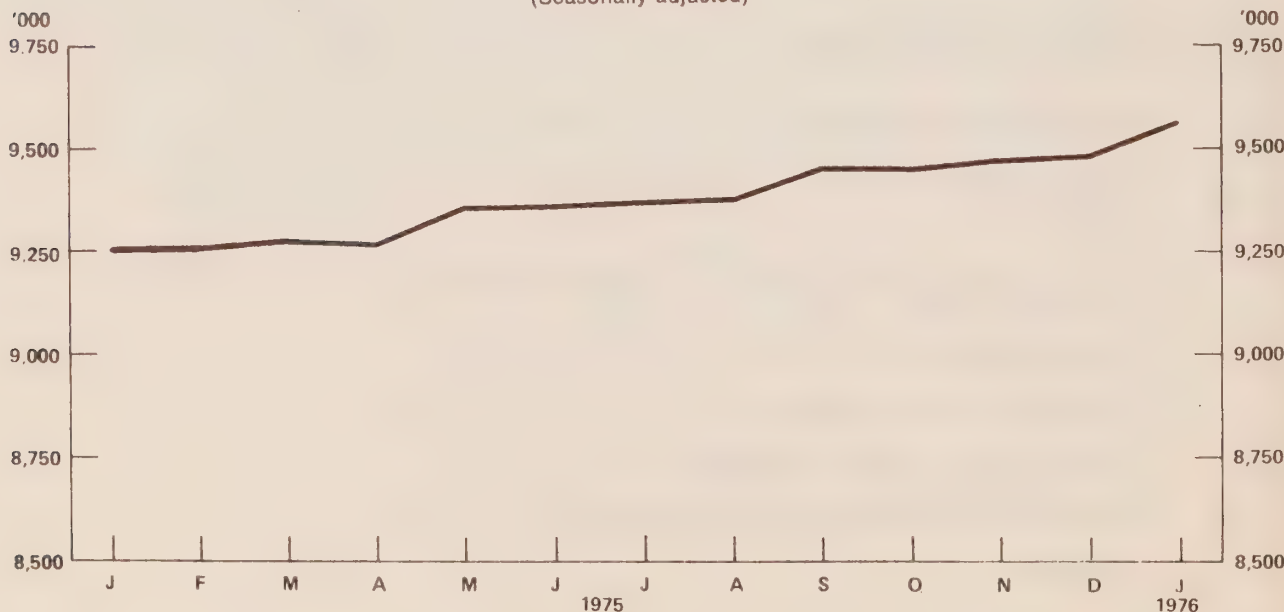
Without seasonal adjustment, the labour force was estimated at 9,945,000 in January with 9,145,000 employed and 800,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 8.0%. In December, the labour force was 10,094,000 with 9,402,000

employed and 693,000 unemployed for a rate of 6.9%. In January 1975, the labour force was 9,597,000 with 8,838,000 employed and 759,000 unemployed for a rate of 7.9%.

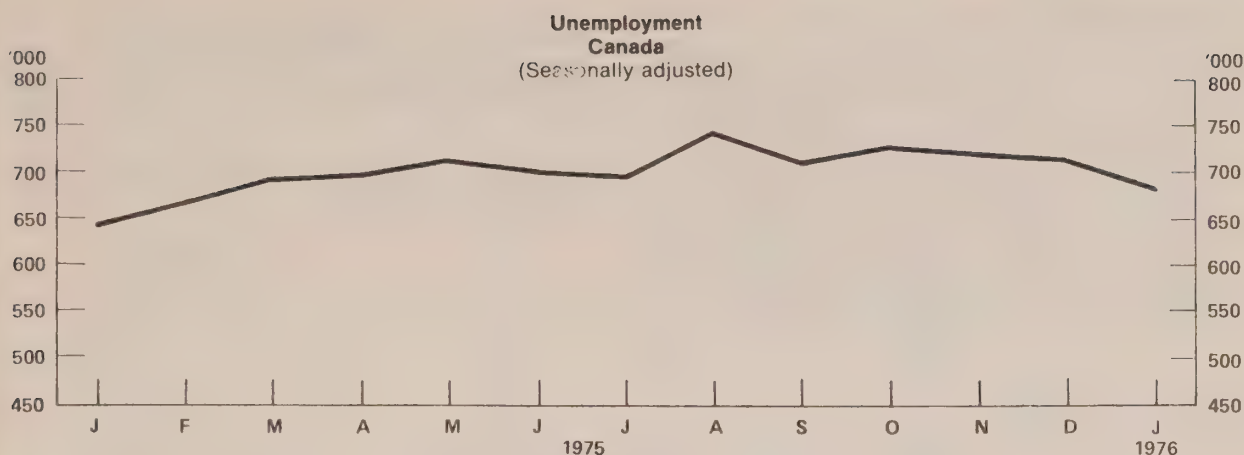
Adjusted unemployment rates for the provinces, with December figures in brackets: Newfoundland 11.6% (13.9%); Nova Scotia 7.9% (7.7%); New Brunswick 11.4% (9.2%); Quebec 7.9% (8.5%); Ontario 5.6% (6.5%); Manitoba 5.1% (4.9%); Saskatchewan 4.3% (3.8%); Alberta 4.1% (3.4%); British Columbia 8.5% (7.9%). Because of small sample size in Prince Edward Island estimates of unemployment are subject to wide error and are not published.

For further information, order the January issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

**Employment
Canada**
(Seasonally adjusted)



(see graph on next page)

**Weekly Security Price Indexes**

February 1976 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Feb. 6/76 This week	Jan. 30/76 Week ago	Jan. 9/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	107.8	105.7	100.3
Industrials	85	110.8	108.8	102.3
Foods	9	96.0	94.7	92.6
Alcoholic beverages	5	94.6	95.0	90.8
Textiles and clothing	3	137.6	135.6	135.1
Pulp and paper	7	147.0	142.6	121.9
Printing and publishing	5	139.9	139.3	138.0
Primary metals	4	121.8	118.7	112.8
Industrial mines	6	89.6	86.9	81.0
Metal fabricating	9	203.1	198.0	177.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	96.6	97.3	91.7
Petroleum	8	104.0	103.5	100.3
Chemicals	5	140.6	131.2	120.2
Construction	5	204.9	199.5	182.6
Trade	15	103.4	102.2	99.0
Utilities and services	20	88.9	87.2	82.2
Transportation	6	115.4	113.8	104.8
Pipelines	5	78.9	75.7	70.1
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	104.6	103.0	97.8
Telephone	4	90.0	89.6	86.6
Electric power	3	104.2	105.1	103.1
Gas distribution	5	70.2	68.3	64.9
Finances	21	121.1	118.3	118.1
Banks	8	124.9	121.9	123.5
Investment and loan	9	114.7	112.8	108.0
Insurance	4	97.9	94.0	91.5
Mining Index	17	101.8	97.2	95.4
Gold	9	163.9	154.7	151.8
Base metals	8	72.1	69.6	68.3
Uraniums	2	224.2	217.4	203.1
Primary oils and gas index	5	97.0	96.2	90.7

For further information, order the February issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended January 31, 1976 —
Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

In the 10 days railway freight loadings at 5.8 million tons (5.2 million metric tonnes) were 0.1% above those of the 1975 period. Carload traffic originating east of the Lakehead was down 0.9% but in the West tonnage rose 1.2%.

Piggyback movements totalled 263,863 tons (239 372 metric tonnes), 14.5% heavier than those recorded a year earlier. Eastern container and trailer (piggyback) shipments advanced 21.8% while in the West this traffic was down 2.1%.

Rail loadings for all of January were 8.6% below the 1975 level with a volume of 16.2 million tons (14.7 million metric tonnes). A breakdown of eastern and western traffic showed declines of 10.7% and 6.2%, respectively.

Piggyback freight totalled 695,097 tons (630 581 metric tonnes), an increase of 0.4% over January 1975.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending January 31

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,980,081	2,776,420	5,756,501
Short tons, 1975	3,006,914	2,743,939	5,750,853
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 703 484	2 518 726	5 222 210
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 727 826	2 489 260	5 217 086
% change	-0.9	1.2	0.1
Cars, 1976	54,036	43,363	97,399
Cars, 1975	54,605	44,297	98,902
% change	-1.0	-2.1	-1.5
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	195,416	68,447	263,863
Short tons, 1975	160,484	69,946	230,430
Metric tonnes, 1976	177 278	62 094	239 372
Metric tonnes, 1975	145 589	63 454	209 043
% change	21.8	-2.1	14.5
Cars, 1976	7,922	2,948	10,870
Cars, 1975	7,088	3,332	10,420
% change	11.8	-11.5	4.3
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	8,397,138	7,776,558	16,173,696**
Short tons, 1975	9,403,163	8,289,340	17,692,503
Metric tonnes, 1976	7 617 755	7 054 775	14 672 530
Metric tonnes, 1975	8 530 406	7 519 963	16 050 369
% change	-10.7	-6.2	-8.6
Cars, 1976	148,009	121,452	269,461**
Cars, 1975	168,570	132,180	300,750
% change	-12.2	-8.1	-10.4
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	514,654	180,443	695,097
Short tons, 1975	507,094	185,305	692,399
Metric tonnes, 1976	466 886	163 695	630 581
Metric tonnes, 1975	460 028	168 106	628 134
% change	1.5	-2.6	0.4
Cars, 1976	20,857	7,817	28,674
Cars, 1975	21,757	9,038	30,795
% change	-4.1	-13.5	-6.9

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

Housing Starts and Completions, December 1975 — Advance Information

Dwelling Starts and Completions in Centres of 10,000 Population & Over

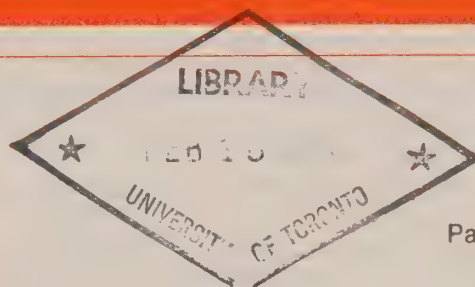
	Starts					Completions				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	89	—	141	152	382	154	—	16	—	170
Prince Edward Island	6	—	—	—	6	39	2	—	—	41
Nova Scotia	170	10	—	529	709	388	4	—	42	434
New Brunswick	87	46	—	257	390	327	16	4	173	520
Quebec	2,233	132	169	2,295	4,829	2,099	110	98	2,227	4,534
Ontario	2,157	749	982	2,581	6,469	2,324	944	865	1,414	5,547
Manitoba	230	40	22	312	604	282	30	—	61	373
Saskatchewan	334	2	—	4	340	260	—	—	—	260
Alberta	1,088	197	575	902	2,762	1,071	86	191	73	1,421
British Columbia	1,179	160	367	1,561	3,267	1,325	158	254	945	2,682
Canada	7,573	1,336	2,256	8,593	19,758	8,269	1,350	1,428	4,935	15,982
Metropolitan Areas										
Calgary	501	76	330	694	1,601	344	39	70	41	494
Chicoutimi-Jonquiere	245	24	—	115	384	248	12	—	16	276
Edmonton	439	58	229	123	849	545	20	121	—	686
Halifax	92	6	—	457	555	95	4	—	18	117
Hamilton	87	20	259	78	444	245	33	148	43	469
Hull	97	4	—	257	358	98	—	36	734	868
Kitchener	206	48	74	3	331	123	30	55	—	208
London	173	2	70	—	245	153	75	54	—	282
Montreal	1,028	72	166	1,445	2,711	977	66	62	1,314	2,419
Ottawa	39	78	29	—	146	104	44	5	—	153
Quebec	426	20	—	264	710	262	16	—	70	348
Regina	115	—	—	—	115	137	—	—	—	137
St. Catharines-Niagara	154	108	—	44	306	193	46	74	—	313
Saint-John	40	46	—	253	339	115	14	4	28	161
St. John's	87	—	141	152	380	134	—	16	—	150
Saskatoon	156	2	—	—	158	57	—	—	—	57
Sudbury	47	2	—	—	49	125	—	—	5	130
Thunder Bay	71	—	25	—	96	61	—	—	—	61
Toronto	608	270	353	1,388	2,619	717	498	386	518	2,119
Vancouver	446	58	241	688	1,433	540	88	66	486	1,180
Victoria	202	28	31	432	693	96	4	—	437	537
Windsor	85	14	—	162	261	92	—	4	24	120
Winnipeg	200	40	22	312	574	245	30	—	61	336
Sub-Total	5,544	976	1,970	6,867	15,357	5,706	1,019	1,101	3,795	11,621
Major Urban Areas	902	162	128	751	1,943	999	202	68	593	1,862
Other Areas 10,000 +	1,127	198	158	975	2,458	1,564	129	259	547	2,499
All Areas 10,000 +	7,573	1,336	2,256	8,593	19,758	8,269	1,350	1,428	4,935	15,982

For further information, order *Housing Starts and Completions*, December 1975 (64-002, \$3/\$3.60 outside Canada).

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Water Carriers

Preliminary results are now available from a special industry profiling survey of water carriers for 1974 which was completed in 1975. A total of 518 Canadian commercial and charter carriers generated gross transport revenues of \$1.05 billion.

For further information contact the chief (613-996-9274), Water Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Agriculture, 1971 Census of Canada, Canada and Provinces, (96-716, \$1.40)

Service Bulletin:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 3, Monthly Survey of Radio Broadcasting Stations, June 1975.



Consumer Price Movements, January 1976.

The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 0.6% to 145.1 in January from 144.3 in December. This latest increase was largely due to higher prices for shelter and domestic utilities, as well as the return to 7% of the Ontario sales tax from its 5% level temporarily introduced last April. The food index declined for the second successive month, the latest decrease being 0.2%, while the index for all items excluding food increased 0.8%. Between January 1975 and January 1976, the total CPI advanced 9.6%.

The latest decrease in the food index was in great part due to lower prices for beef, down 2.3% on average, as well as to a 2.9% decrease in poultry prices. Some dairy products also moved downwards in price as did all items of fats and oils. Partially offsetting these decreases were higher prices for pork, up 0.9%, and a 0.6% rise in charges for restaurant food.

Higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation and increased prices of items associated with running the home were mainly responsible for the 0.8% rise in the index for all items excluding food. Domestic gas rate increases in some Ontario cities and higher electricity rates in numerous other locations had a notable impact, as did higher telephone charges in central Canada. The transportation component also moved up, mainly in response to the reimposition of the 7% Ontario sales tax on new automobiles and to seasonally higher train fares. These increases were only partially offset by a seasonal decrease in the clothing component, particularly men's and women's outer wear.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, rose 0.3% while that for services increased 1.1%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 0.6% from December to January. This comprised a 0.4% decline in the food index and a 0.9% rise for all items excluding food.

In January, the current annual rate of change in the CPI based on the seasonally-adjusted movement since three months earlier, was 7.2%, the first month since May 1975 it has been below 10%.

(see tables on page 3 and 4)

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Seasonally-adjusted Data, November 1975 — Advance Information.

The first estimate of the Canada industrial composite index of employment (1961=100) showed a slight decrease from October to November. Reductions in employment in forestry, manufacturing, transportation, communication and other utilities, trade and service were virtually balanced by increases in the remaining industry divisions. Employment declined in Quebec and Ontario. The remaining regions recorded advances.

Average weekly earnings rose 0.9% at the Canada industrial composite level in November. Gains occurred in all industry divisions except construction and forestry. Four of the five regions showed increases. The Prairie region had a tiny decline.

Average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage-earners decreased in mining and construction from October to November, while manufacturing showed no change. Average hourly earnings increased in all three industry divisions.

Preliminary data for October showed a drop of 0.7% in the national industrial composite employment index. This decline was the result of industrial disputes in the post office. Excluding the communication component, employment rose approximately 0.6% reflecting rises in mining, manufacturing, construction and trade.

Average weekly earnings jumped 2.1% at the Canada industrial composite level from September to October. All industry divisions and all provinces participated in the rise in the level of earnings. The exceptional 5.0% rise in transportation, communication and other utilities partly reflected the reduction in employment in post office, where earnings are lower than the industry division average.

From September to October, average weekly hours rose 1.8% in mining and 2.1% in construction. Manufacturing showed a 0.3% decline. During the same period average hourly earnings advanced 11 cents in mining, seven cents in manufacturing and five cents in construction.

Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for September and October will be published in the November issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on page 5 and 6)

Seasonally-adjusted Employment Indexes (1971=100), November 1975 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table presents seasonally-adjusted employment indexes with a 1971 base period for selected industries at the Canada level. These indexes have been arithmetically converted from 1961-based data contained in *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7). The seasonal factors used to derive these adjusted data are the same as those used for the 1961-based data.

For further information, contact Mr. G.L. Cohen (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see table on page 6)

Retail Trade, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales were \$4,584.3 million in November, an increase of 4.7% from \$4,376.9 million in October. Sales increased in 20 of the 28 trade groups. Grocery, confectionery and sundries stores recorded the largest increase, up 15.4%, while general merchandise stores recorded the largest decrease, down 17.9%. Eight of the 10 provinces recorded increases in sales in November over October, ranging from a high of 7.2% for Saskatchewan to 2.0% for New Brunswick. Decreases were recorded in Prince Edward Island (-1.5%) and Manitoba (-1.8%).

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$4,790.9 million in November, an increase of 17.3% over November 1974. Sales increased in 26 of the 28 trade groups with the largest gains recorded by motor vehicle dealers, up 37.1%, and grocery, confectionery and sundries stores, up 26.1%. The only decreases were recorded by specialty shoe stores (-19.6%) and book and stationery stores (-0.8%). All provinces recorded increases in sales over November 1974 ranging from a high of 25.5% for Alberta to 7.4% for Manitoba. Montreal sales increased 17.6%, Toronto 22.8%, Winnipeg 6.2% and Vancouver 10.8%. Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences for October, was \$4,681.6 million, an increase of 18.4% from October 1974.

For further information, order the November issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. B. Theriault (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Farm Input Price Index, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

The farm input price index for Canada (1961=100) increased 2.0% in the fourth quarter of 1975, moving to 218.0 from a revised third-quarter figure of 213.8. The eastern index rose 1.4% to 217.4 from 214.5 and the western index rose 2.8% to 218.8 from 212.9. Compared with the closing period of 1974, the index was 6.8% higher in Canada, up 4.2% in the East and 10.0% in the West. The annual increases in 1975 over 1974 were 8.6%, 6.9% and 10.5%, respectively.

Higher prices for hired farm labour, petroleum products, machinery and customer work were responsible for much of the increase in the fourth quarter index.

(see table on page 4)

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 34,934 units in December, up from 20,516 in December 1974. Conventional washing machine sales were 4,216 units compared to 6,292. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 31,000 units compared to 19,675. Gas dryer sales on the domestic market were 1,218 units compared to 983 one year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators were 45,419 compared to 43,311 in December 1974. Month-end stocks totalled 82,996 units, down from 107,378. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers increased to 42,643 from 30,856 and month-end stocks increased to 12,679 from 4,726.

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1976		1975	January 1976 from			
		Jan.	Dec.	Jan.	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975
All Items	100	145.1	144.3	132.4	0.6	9.6	100	100
Food	28	166.8	167.2	154.0	-0.2	8.3	-12	25
All items excluding food	72	137.5	136.4	125.1	0.8	9.9	112	75
Housing	32	142.1	140.5	127.6	1.1	11.4	68	37
Clothing	10	128.0	128.2	122.6	-0.2	4.4	-2	4
Transportation	14	138.4	136.5	122.2	1.4	13.3	37	20
Health and personal care	4	139.1	138.6	125.9	0.4	10.5	3	5
Recreation, education and reading	6	132.6	131.9	122.9	0.5	7.9	5	5
Tobacco and alcohol	6	128.3	128.2	120.6	0.1	6.4	1	4
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	—	0.69	0.69	0.76				
All items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100								193.5

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Electric Power Statistics, December 1975 — Advance Information.

In December net generation increased to 26.2 billion KWh. from 25.4 billion KWh. in December 1974. Hydro generation decreased 2.2% while thermal production increased 19.6%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Report of Livestock Surveys: Pigs, January 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Total pig numbers in Canada (excluding Newfoundland) at January 1, 1976, were down from January 1, 1975. In the West numbers decreased 16%. The 1975 estimate for farrowings from July 1, 1975, to January 1, 1976, was down from the corresponding period in 1974.

For further information, order the January issue of *Report on Livestock Surveys: Pigs* (23-005, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact L.C. White (613-994-5855), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All-items		Food		All-items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted
1973						
May.....	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8
June.....	0.9	0.7	1.9	1.6	0.6	0.5
July.....	0.9	0.5	1.9	0.9	0.5	0.3
August.....	1.3	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.5	0.6
September.....	0.6	1.0	0.9	2.0	0.5	0.6
October.....	0.3	0.5	-0.3	0.6	0.6	0.4
November.....	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.6	0.5	0.7
December.....	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7
1974						
January.....	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.5
February.....	1.0	1.1	2.3	1.9	0.5	0.8
March.....	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.5	0.8	0.7
April.....	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.0	1.0	1.0
May.....	1.6	1.6	2.9	2.8	1.2	1.1
June.....	1.3	1.1	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.3
July.....	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.5
August.....	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.2	0.8	0.9
September.....	0.6	0.9	0.4	1.4	0.6	0.7
October.....	0.9	1.2	1.4	2.3	0.7	0.7
November.....	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.1
December.....	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.6	0.8	0.9
1975						
January.....	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.6
February.....	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.8
March.....	0.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	0.9	0.8
April.....	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6
May.....	0.8	0.7	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.5
June.....	1.5	1.4	3.2	3.0	0.8	0.8
July.....	1.4	1.0	2.3	1.2	1.0	0.9
August.....	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.9
September.....	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.2	0.7	0.8
October.....	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.4	1.1	1.0
November.....	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.0
December.....	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.6
1976						
January.....	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.4	0.8	0.9

* Due to roundings, slight variations (never exceeding 0.1) may exist between the percentage change figures shown here and those previously published on a 1961=100 time reference base.

Farm Input Price Indexes

(1961=100)

	Eastern Canada Quarter 4th. Qtr. 1975	Western Canada Quarter 4th. Qtr. 1975	Canada Quarter 4th. Qtr. 1975
Total Farm Input (p)	217.4	218.8	218.0
Land and farm buildings (p)	225.0	234.0	229.5
Farm machinery and motor vehicles	192.3	187.4	189.2
Hired Farm Labour	302.3	316.1	307.6
Other materials and services	206.2	229.4	213.8

p Preliminary figures.

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data, November 1975

Industry Division and Area	Employment Index Numbers									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally-adjusted					
	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.
	1975f	1975p	1975p	1975r	1974	1974	1975f	1975p	1975p	1975r
					1961=100					
Industry Division:										
Forestry	70.6	78.8	81.6	87.6	94.9	100.5	66.6	69.4	69.4	72.7
Mining	116.0	112.1	110.4	112.6	116.7	115.7	116.3	112.8	110.7	110.0
Manufacturing	126.0	127.7	127.2	127.7	132.5	134.9	125.9	126.2	124.8	125.4
Durables	140.4	141.3	139.3	138.6	148.4	150.6	140.0	139.6	137.7	137.7
Non-durables	114.3	116.7	117.4	118.8	119.7	122.1	114.5	115.4	114.4	114.8
Construction	121.4	130.3	131.2	131.6	124.7	132.3	117.5	117.4	116.2	115.5
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	116.3	117.9	128.7	129.6	127.0	127.6	115.8	116.5	127.7	126.6
Trade	175.9	173.1	168.9	165.3	173.7	171.4	168.8	170.0	168.9	169.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	177.7	177.0	177.5	176.5	170.4	169.4	178.1	177.3	177.9	175.7
Service	232.3	236.5	240.5	243.7	227.0	229.7	235.7	236.4	236.7	231.8
Industrial Composite	140.9	142.3	143.7	143.8	145.1	146.5	139.7	139.9	140.9	140.5
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	136.3	138.5	141.3	142.3	137.3	138.8	134.5	134.1	135.0	133.8
Newfoundland	144.8	146.6	149.5	145.7	144.7	146.4	142.1	139.7	139.5	135.2
Prince Edward Island	147.8	157.0	163.5	171.5	149.5	158.1	144.5	147.6	149.6	151.9
Nova Scotia	130.9	131.2	128.5	132.6	132.9	132.4	129.6	128.8	124.5	127.1
New Brunswick	136.1	140.3	149.5	149.0	137.7	139.7	134.2	136.2	142.2	138.6
Quebec	128.2	130.4	132.6	131.1	132.2	133.9	126.7	127.3	129.5	127.7
Ontario	142.5	143.9	146.4	146.5	149.5	151.0	141.2	141.9	144.6	145.2
Prairie Region	151.6	152.2	154.2	154.2	148.0	148.6	151.4	150.4	151.1	149.0
Manitoba	131.7	132.8	134.4	133.3	132.6	131.5	130.9	130.7	131.8	130.7
Saskatchewan	137.6	137.5	141.9	143.4	134.8	134.8	136.9	135.5	138.4	137.6
Alberta	174.1	174.5	175.8	176.3	166.9	168.5	174.5	172.8	172.8	170.1
British Columbia	161.5	160.9	152.5	157.7	167.4	169.1	160.9	158.6	148.7	152.8
Yukon	194.4	202.6	206.6	186.2	188.3	..	190.9	195.2	191.2
Northwest Territories	154.4	163.5	184.7	150.6	153.8	..	155.2	157.6	164.8
Canada	140.9	142.3	143.7	143.8	145.1	146.5	139.7	139.9	140.9	140.5

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.
	1975f	1975p	1975p	1975r	1974	1974	1975f	1975p	1975p	1975r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	249.93	249.75	239.49	242.44	240.26	240.59	241.27	241.87	238.30	249.42
Mining	298.79	296.06	286.19	281.64	258.24	252.72	295.01	294.41	288.70	286.77
Manufacturing	224.29	222.04	218.40	213.96	197.76	196.84	222.78	219.56	216.97	216.23
Durables	240.72	238.25	235.19	228.11	211.01	211.71	238.93	234.24	231.40	229.58
Non-durables	207.92	206.12	202.24	200.58	184.42	181.96	207.19	205.63	203.36	202.59
Construction	309.23	315.12	309.05	303.55	266.43	270.92	302.99	307.07	299.41	300.66
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	247.57	244.72	232.40	235.67	212.14	211.22	247.94	244.77	233.01	235.79
Trade	163.54	164.78	161.55	163.32	146.02	144.29	166.33	165.86	162.31	161.88
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	199.62	198.44	194.99	193.85	175.94	174.21	201.84	200.55	197.68	196.05
Service	150.83	150.30	146.78	147.27	132.52	131.25	150.85	150.50	148.53	147.46
Industrial Composite	212.56	212.18	207.41	206.38	187.65	187.10	212.20	210.39	206.15	206.55
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	187.96	186.85	182.89	182.09	163.40	163.09	187.75	186.24	183.18	183.26
Newfoundland	203.02	204.55	199.66	198.07	177.84	178.93	203.22	202.10	197.72	198.01
Prince Edward Island	160.48	156.11	153.08	150.83	134.99	132.37
Nova Scotia	179.90	178.73	175.43	175.40	156.57	155.00	179.92	178.46	174.63	175.59
New Brunswick	189.60	187.09	182.69	182.39	164.21	164.66	188.60	188.33	186.11	184.81
Quebec	207.21	207.64	203.19	202.01	183.14	182.33	206.28	205.65	202.12	202.72
Ontario	214.65	213.87	209.35	208.08	190.13	190.14	214.71	212.09	207.85	208.52
Prairie Region	206.97	207.90	201.69	201.08	179.10	178.03	207.05	207.07	201.59	200.06
Manitoba	192.59	193.58	189.35	190.06	168.76	169.30	192.72	193.00	188.95	188.42
Saskatchewan	197.41	198.56	191.10	190.90	170.45	169.14	196.62	197.40	191.83	190.27
Alberta	218.95	220.04	213.10	211.45	188.83	186.65	219.26	218.86	212.89	210.38
British Columbia	240.48	238.56	235.20	233.59	214.46	212.47	239.00	235.36	232.50	232.06
Yukon	306.77	295.58	302.91	276.62	270.21
Northwest Territories	292.99	301.02	308.52	274.73	271.55
Canada	212.56	212.18	207.41	206.38	187.65	187.10	212.20	210.39	206.15	206.55

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.
	1975f	1975p	1975p	1975r	1974	1974	1975f	1975p	1975p	1975r
number										
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining	41.0	40.8	39.6	39.4	41.2	40.8	40.3	40.4	39.7	39.9
Manufacturing	38.9	39.0	39.0	38.4	39.0	39.2	38.4	38.4	38.5	38.5
Durables	39.5	39.7	39.6	38.7	39.7	40.0	39.0	39.0	39.0	38.9
Non-durables	38.3	38.3	38.4	38.1	38.3	38.4	37.8	37.9	38.0	38.1
Construction	38.9	40.4	40.3	40.3	38.9	40.5	38.6	39.0	38.2	38.6
Building	37.5	38.2	38.0	37.9	37.3	38.6	36.8	37.0	36.5	36.9
Engineering	41.6	44.2	44.3	44.3	42.4	44.3	42.0	42.1	41.5	41.5
Manufacturing										
Atlantic Region	38.2	37.9	38.0	37.6	37.6	38.0	38.1	37.9	37.8	37.6
Quebec	39.4	39.7	39.6	39.0	39.6	40.1	38.7	39.0	39.0	38.9
Ontario	39.4	39.4	39.4	38.8	39.4	39.6	39.0	38.8	38.8	38.9
Prairie Region	37.3	37.5	37.5	36.8	38.0	37.7	36.8	37.0	37.3	36.9
British Columbia	36.2	35.7	35.4	35.1	36.6	36.0	35.7	35.5	35.4	35.4
dollars										
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining	6.86	6.82	6.68	6.63	5.88	5.79	6.83	6.82	6.71	6.69
Manufacturing	5.29	5.24	5.14	5.08	4.66	4.64	5.30	5.22	5.15	5.12
Durables	5.69	5.64	5.57	5.46	4.97	4.97	5.70	5.60	5.54	5.47
Non durables	4.84	4.80	4.68	4.68	4.32	4.26	4.86	4.82	4.73	4.74
Construction	8.05	7.91	7.81	7.67	6.90	6.77	7.94	7.88	7.83	7.80
Building	8.10	8.04	7.97	7.88	7.05	6.95	7.99	8.00	7.96	7.95
Engineering	7.97	7.71	7.58	7.37	6.62	6.46	7.94	7.69	7.59	7.55
Manufacturing										
Atlantic Region	4.79	4.72	4.61	4.58	4.27	4.22	4.74	4.72	4.72	4.76
Quebec	4.76	4.72	4.69	4.62	4.15	4.09	4.77	4.73	4.71	4.68
Ontario	5.43	5.39	5.32	5.24	4.79	4.81	5.44	5.39	5.32	5.27
Prairie Region	5.37	5.36	5.25	5.18	4.66	4.64	5.38	5.33	5.23	5.15
British Columbia	6.88	6.71	6.56	6.46	6.12	6.04	6.86	6.66	6.52	6.48

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Employment Indexes, Selected Industries, Canada

(1971=100)
(Seasonally-Adjusted)

Industry (1960 S.I.C.)	1971 percentage weights	1975			
		Aug. r	Sept. p	Oct. p	Nov. f
Industrial Composite	100.00	109.8	110.0	109.2	109.1
Forestry	1.21	91.2	87.9	87.9	84.4
Mining, including milling	3.16	95.7	96.3	98.2	101.2
Manufacturing	39.54	102.7	102.2	103.4	103.2
Durable Goods	19.14	104.4	104.3	105.7	106.1
Non-Durable Goods	20.39	100.7	100.2	101.2	100.4
Construction	5.85	99.4	100.3	101.3	101.4
Transportation, Communication and Other					
Utilities	16.01	110.5	111.4	101.6	100.9
Transportation	9.53	104.4	105.8	105.0	..
Storage	0.38	97.8	97.6	98.3	..
Communication	3.96	122.6	121.9	85.8	..
Electric Power, Gas and Water	2.15	118.1	115.5	117.5	..
Trade	17.58	120.3	119.8	120.6	119.7
Wholesale Trade	5.84	118.1	118.2	118.7	116.8
Retail Trade	11.73	121.3	120.4	121.6	121.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	6.65	120.8	122.2	121.8	122.3
Service	10.01	125.3	128.0	127.7	127.3
Recreational Services	1.04	118.4	130.8	125.6	..
Business Services	2.31	137.3	140.0	140.8	..
Personal Services	4.68	120.6	120.0	121.3	..

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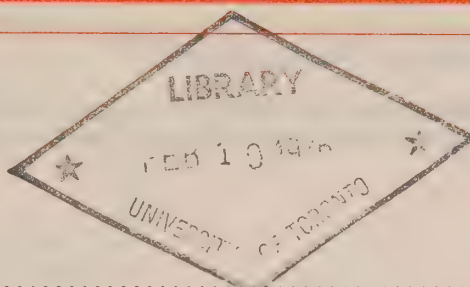
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Crop Report

The first of a series of 20 telegraphic crop reports for 1976, this one covering summerfallow and stubble and acreage and yield of specified crops for the Prairie provinces, will be available at 3 p.m. EST today from the Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Gas Utilities, October 1975 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)

Fish Freezings and Stocks, November 1975 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)

Gypsum Mines, 1974 (26-221, 70¢)

Salt, December 1975 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, November 1975 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, November 1975 (33-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, October 1975 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

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Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, October 1975 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, November 1975 (55-001, 30¢/\$3)

Coal and Coke Statistics, November 1975 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Service Bulletins:

Road Transport (53-006, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, No. 1, Motor Carriers — Freight, Preliminary Release 1974;

Retail Prices and Living Costs (62-005, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, No. 1, Canadian Inter-city Retail Price Comparisons, October 1975;

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 13, 1975 Pack of Frozen Fruits and Vegetables as Reported up to the End of October 1975

Sugar Sales, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales in January of 157,724,775 pounds (7 543 488 kilograms) of all types of sugar, 142,882,408 pounds (64 811 035 kg) in domestic sales and 14,842,367 pounds (6 732 453 kg) in export sales.

For further information, order the January issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50).

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, December 1975 — Advance Information.

In December, packers, dealers and tanners held 321,687 cattle hides, up from 290,948 a year earlier, and 152,143 calf and kip skins, up from 90,909. Cattle hide receipts increased to 212,174 from 161,350 and wettings increased to 193,595 from 162,403.

For further information, order the December issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oilseeds, December 1975 — Advance Information.

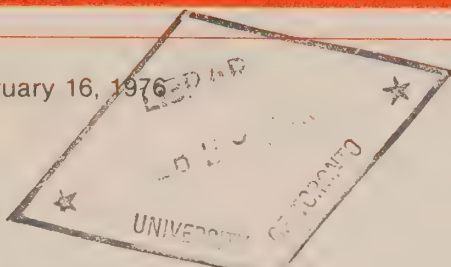
December crushings of oilseeds, with oil produced and meal produced in brackets (all figures thousands of pounds):

- Soybeans: 142,550 (23,897; 112,740).
- Rapeseed: 63,834 (25,975; 36,570).
- Sunflowerseed: 3,989 (1,651; 1,552).

For further information, order the latest quarterly issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact R. Mangione (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Building Permits, November 1975 (64-001, 70¢/\$7)

Iron Ore, December 1975 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Selected Financial Statistics of Religious Organizations, 1972 and 1973 (61-211, 35¢)

Concrete Products Manufacturers, 1973 (44-205, 70¢)

Stoves and Furnaces, November 1975 (41-005, 30¢/\$3)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, October 1975 (35-002, 30¢/\$3)

Footwear Statistics, November 1975 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletins:

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8, No. 5, Aircraft Movement Statistics, November 1975;

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 14, 1975 Pack of Frozen Fruits and Vegetables as Reported up to the End of November 1975;

Energy Statistics (57-002, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 11, No. 3, Refined Petroleum Products, Selected Preliminary Data, October 1975.



Oil Pipe Line Transport, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,797,000 barrels a day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in December, 2.9% lower than the 2,881,000 B/D received a year earlier. Domestic oils decreased 4.9% to 2,303,000 B/D while imported oils increased 7.6% to 494,000 B/D.

For further information order the December issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Advance Trade Information

Full details on commodity-country export trade for December are now available, in advance of the regular publication *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Security Transactions With Non-residents October 1975 (67-002, 40¢/\$4)

Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals 1973 (46-219, 70¢)

Iron and Steel Mills 1973 (41-203, 70¢)

Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics July-September 1975 (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, November 1975 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, December 1975 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Fourth Estimate of the Commercial Production of Fruit, 1975 (22-003, \$1.40 for 1975 series)

Sales Financing, November 1975 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

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Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to December 31, 1975 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Department Store Sales and Stocks, October 1975 (63-002, 40¢/\$4)

Field Crop Reporting Series — No. 1, Summerfallow and Stubble, Acreage and Yield of Specified Crops, Prairie Provinces, February 13, 1976, 3 p.m. (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Cement, November 1975 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, January 1976 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletin:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Cordage and Twine Industry (34-203-p)

Marriages, 1974 — Advance Information.

Preliminary figures show the number of marriages in Canada during 1974 totalled 198,824, a decline for the second successive year from an all-time high of 200,470 in 1972 and 199,280 in 1973. The rate per 1,000 population declined slightly to 8.9 in 1974 from 9.0 in 1973 and 9.2 in 1972. All provinces except Saskatchewan and the Northwest Territories registered declines in the rates of marriage in 1974 compared to 1973.

Further information will be contained in the quarterly *Vital Statistics* (84-001, 35¢/\$1.40)

(see table below)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Roundwood production decreased 57.7% to 840,782 cunits in December from 1,986,571 a year earlier. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue decreased 31.6% to 1,615,053 cunits from 2,362,474 and the closing inventory of these two products increased 12.8% to 12,675,222 cunits from 11,233,744. Receipts of wood residue decreased 11.3% to 689,936 cunits from 777,614.

For further information, order the December issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 14, 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended February 14 totalled 278,075 short tons (252,265 metric tonnes), an increase of 8.2% from the preceding week's total of 257,078 tons (233,217 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 276,160 tons (250,528 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166,221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 151.8 in the current week, 141.5 a week earlier and 150.7 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

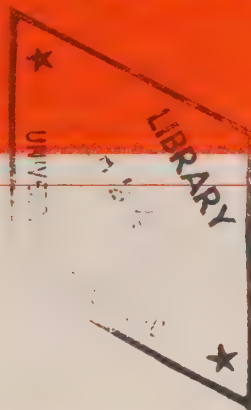
Marriages and Rates, Canada and Provinces, 1974

	Number		Change (%)	Rate per 1,000 population		Change (%)
	1974	1973		1974	1973	
Canada	198,824	199,280*	-0.2	8.9	9.0	-1.1
Newfoundland	4,276	5,264*	-18.8	7.9	9.7	-18.6
Prince Edward Island	990	1,014	-2.4	8.5	8.8	-3.4
Nova Scotia	7,112	7,273	-2.2	8.7	9.0	-3.3
New Brunswick	6,108	6,357	-3.9	9.2	9.8	-6.1
Quebec	51,532	51,943	-0.8	8.4	8.5	-1.2
Ontario	72,716	72,371	0.5	9.0	9.1	-1.1
Manitoba	9,231	9,196	0.4	9.1	9.2	-1.1
Saskatchewan	7,988	7,847	1.8	8.8	8.6	2.3
Alberta	16,691	16,280	2.5	9.7	9.7	
British Columbia	21,734	21,303	2.0	9.1	9.2	-1.1
Yukon	190	206	-7.8	9.8	10.3	-4.9
Northwest Territories	256	226	13.3	6.8	5.9	15.3

* Includes 216 marriages occurring in 1973 for which registrations were received too late to be included in 1973 statistics. Previously such delayed registrations had been included in the current year's statistics.

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Federal Government Employment, April-June 1975 (72-004, 70¢/\$2.80)

Selected Financial Statistics of Charitable Organizations, 1972 and 1973 (61-212, 35¢)

Imports by Commodities, November 1975 (65-007, 80¢/\$8)

Changes to Municipal Boundaries, Status and Names, (12-549, \$1.40)

Primary Iron and Steel, November 1975 (41-001, 40¢/\$4)

Hardboard, December 1975 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, December 1975 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures — (\$4.90 for the series): Thread Mills (34-210-p-1); Pressed and Punched Felt Mills (34-219-p-2)



Weekly Security Price Indexes

February 1975 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Feb. 13/76 This week	Feb. 6/76 Week ago	Jan. 16/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	109.0	107.8	102.8
Industrials	85	112.4	110.8	105.6
Foods	9	96.2	96.0	92.6
Alcoholic beverages	5	94.2	94.6	92.8
Textiles and clothing	3	137.4	137.6	139.5
Pulp and paper	7	151.9	147.0	130.4
Printing and publishing	5	139.3	139.9	141.7
Primary metals	4	127.4	121.8	115.7
Industrial mines	6	90.7	89.6	84.5
Metal fabricating	9	210.6	203.1	183.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	101.0	96.6	96.2
Petroleum	8	103.7	104.0	101.5
Chemicals	5	144.2	140.6	122.2
Construction	5	204.5	204.9	191.7
Trade	15	104.8	103.4	102.5
Utilities and services	28	89.7	88.9	84.5
Transportation	6	119.8	115.4	109.8
Pipelines	5	78.2	78.9	71.9
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.5	104.6	98.8
Telephone	4	90.3	90.0	87.8
Electric power	3	103.7	104.2	104.4
Gas distribution	5	70.5	70.2	67.1
Finances	21	121.8	121.1	117.0
Banks	8	125.4	124.9	121.7
Investment and loan	9	115.6	114.7	108.6
Insurance	4	101.2	97.9	91.1
Mining Index	17	103.4	101.8	93.4
Gold	9	165.8	163.9	146.5
Base metals	8	73.4	72.1	67.9
Uranium	2	226.4	224.2	210.1
Primary oils and gas index	5	98.8	97.0	92.8

For further information, order the February issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Price Indexes of Electric Utility Construction, 1975

Advance Information

	1973	1974r	1975p	% Change	
				1974r 1973	1975p 1974r
(1961=100)					
Distribution Systems	153.6	191.5	208.2	24.7	8.7
Transmission Lines	163.8	211.3	234.0	30.0	10.7
Transformer Station	150.1	185.6	221.1	23.7	19.1
Hydro Electric Generating Stations	178.3	208.9	241.0	17.2	15.4

These indexes are currently being revised to a 1971 base, so the preliminary figures for 1975 will not be finalized on the 1961 base.

For further information order *Construction Price Statistics, Quarterly Report* (62-008) or contact Mr. L. Swain (613-994-9484), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 7, 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The volume of rail freight loaded in Canada during the first week of February totalled 3.9 million tons (3.5 million metric tonnes), a decline of 6.3% from the 1975 period. Tonnages originated east of the Lakehead at 2.0 million (1.8 million metric) were down 15.7% while those in the West were up 5.6%.

Piggyback traffic decreased 22.4% in the East, 21.7% in the West and 22.2% for all Canada.

In the year to date, carload traffic totalled 20.1 million tons (18.2 million metric tonnes), a decline of 8.1% from the 1975 period. Piggyback shipments at 830,370 tons (753 299 metric tonnes) were down 4.1%.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending February 7

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	1,961,345	1,943,906	3,905,251
Short tons, 1975	2,325,545	1,841,672	4,167,217
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 779 302	1 763 482	3 542 784
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 109 699	1 670 737	3 780 436
% change	-15.7	5.6	-6.3
Cars, 1976	35,269	31,012	66,281
Cars, 1975	40,858	29,697	70,555
% change	-13.7	4.4	-6.1
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	97,757	37,516	135,273
Short tons, 1975	125,969	47,886	173,855
Metric tonnes, 1976	88 684	34 034	122 718
Metric tonnes, 1975	114 277	43 441	157 718
% change	-22.4	-21.7	-22.2
Cars, 1976	5,086	1,735	6,821
Cars, 1975	5,384	2,372	7,756
% change	-5.5	-26.9	-12.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	10,358,483	9,720,464	20,078,947
Short tons, 1975	11,728,708	10,131,021	21,859,720
Metric tonnes, 1976	9 397 058	8 818 257	18 215 315
Metric tonnes, 1975	10 640 105	9 190 699	19 830 804
% change	-11.7	-4.1	-8.1
Cars, 1976	183,278	152,464	335,742
Cars, 1975	209,428	161,877	371,305
% change	-12.5	-5.8	-9.6
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	612,411	217,959	830,370
Short tons, 1975	633,063	233,191	866,254
Metric tonnes, 1976	555 570	197 729	753 299
Metric tonnes, 1975	574 305	211 547	785 852
% change	-3.3	-6.5	-4.1
Cars, 1976	25,943	9,552	35,495
Cars, 1975	27,141	11,410	38,551
% change	-4.4	-16.3	-7.9

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

Mineral Production, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Primary mineral production for December and all 1975, with comparable 1974 figures in brackets:

- Primary copper: 66,763 tons; 785,805 tons (88,104; 905,418).
- Primary nickel: 22,602 tons; 267,566 tons (25,365; 296,599).
- Gold: 133,961 troy ounces; 1,620,742 troy ounces (138,514; 1,698,392).
- Silver: 3,951,695 troy ounces; 40,004,155 troy ounces (3,350,958; 42,809,721).
- Refined lead: 20,595 tons; 189,064 tons (16,640; 139,398).
- Refined zinc: 44,857 tons; 470,622 tons (40,630; 469,884).

For further information, order the December issues of *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50), *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50) and *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Motion Picture Theatres, 1974 — Advance Information.

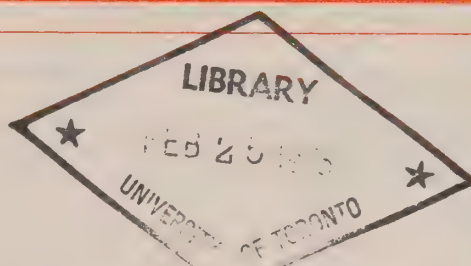
Receipts from paid admissions, excluding amusement taxes, of 1,423 regular and drive-in motion picture theatres in 1974 amounted to \$172.7 million. Revenue from all other sources, including sale of refreshments, from concessions and vending machines and from showing advertisements, totalled \$39.8 million. The number of paid admissions was 90.4 million and amusement taxes collected amounted to \$12.8 million. Salaries and wages paid to 13,216 employees totalled \$40.1 million.

For further information, order *Motion Picture Theatres and Film Distributors, 1974* (63-207, 70¢), or contact S. Beyer (613-996-9301), Service Trades Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

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Summary of External Trade, December 1975 (65-001, 40¢/\$4)

The Wheat Review, December 1975 (22-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act, September 1975 (73-001, 40¢/\$4)

International Travel, December 1974 and 1975 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, October 1975 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, December 1975 (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Pipeline Transport, 1974 (55-201, 70¢)

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, November 1975 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)

Miscellaneous Chemical Industries, 1973 (46-216, 70¢)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, December 1975 — Advance Information.

The preliminary estimate of manufacturers' shipments in December, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$7,538.5 million, 2.5% higher than the revised November estimate of \$7,357.8 million. Durable goods shipments rose 0.8% to \$3,452.9 million from \$3,425.0 million while non-durable goods shipments increased 3.9% to \$4,085.6 million from \$3,932.8 million.

Adjusted new orders were estimated at \$7,536.0 million, 2.9% higher than the revised November value of \$7,321.1 million. Durable goods new orders increased 2.2% to \$3,435.7 million from \$3,361.2 million while non-durable goods new orders were up 3.5% to \$4,100.3 million from \$3,959.9 million. Unfilled orders decreased fractionally to \$9,921.3 million in December from \$9,923.8 million in November.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was up 1.8% to \$15,506.2 million from \$15,229.7 million. Total inventory held rose 2.4% to \$16,287.5 million from \$15,904.7 million, with increases of 0.9%, 5.5% and 2.0% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments was 2.06:1 in December compared to the revised November ratio of 2.07:1. The ratio of finished products to shipments remained constant at 0.69:1.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in December were estimated at \$7,236.7 million, 2.7% below the revised November value of \$7,436.2 million. Cumulative shipments for the year 1975 were estimated at \$85,101.2 million, 6.0% higher than the 1974 estimate of \$80,291.5 million.

These preliminary estimates are based on a partial response from the sample of manufacturing establishments. When more returns have been submitted, estimates for November and December will be revised and released, probably in about two weeks.

For further information, order the December issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Motor Vehicle Shipments, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Production of passenger cars totalled 82,042 units in December compared to 70,050 units in December 1974. Production for all 1975 was 1,044,822 units compared to 1,165,635 units in 1974.

All commercial vehicles totalled 32,505 units compared to 24,690 in December 1974 and 1975 production was 379,184 units compared to 359,239 units in 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Dairy Factory Production, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of creamery butter rose 34.3% in January to 16.7 million pounds from 12.4 million pounds a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production increased 15.7% to 14.4 million pounds from 12.4 million pounds and production of ice cream mix increased 8.6% to 2.0 million gallons from 1.9 million gallons.

For further information, order the January issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, February 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were 74.0 million pounds on February 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 41.0 million. Stocks of cheddar cheese were down to 65.2 million pounds from 69.1 million. Stocks of skim milk powder increased 185.3% to 340.7 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk increased 9.9% to 30.0 million. Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at February 1 amounted to 52.9 million pounds compared with last year's total of 92.8 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Cigarettes, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of cigarettes in January totalled 5.2 billion compared to 5.4 billion for January 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Service Bulletin* (32-022, \$1.40 a year), or contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Particle Board, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian firms produced 34,671,000 sq. ft. (5/8" basis) of particle board in December compared to 24,549,000 sq. ft. one year earlier, an increase of 41.2%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Merchandising Business Survey, 1973 — Advance Information.

Total volume of trade for the 1973 merchandising business survey was \$39,718,569,861.

For further information, order *Merchandising Business Survey, 1973* (63-223, \$1.05) or, for advance detail, contact the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9370), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, December 1975 — Advance Information.

December production of rubber increased to 39,300,000 pounds from 33,862,000 pounds in December 1974. Consumption increased to 49,016,000 pounds from 48,798,000 pounds in December 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1972 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Dec. 1975p	Nov. 1975r	Oct. 1975	Dec. 1974
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	7,236.7	7,436.2	7,768.1	6,582.1
Non-durables	3,965.9	3,979.7	4,170.2	3,678.9
Durable	3,270.8	3,456.6	3,597.9	2,903.2
New Orders: Total	7,299.7	7,356.7	7,873.5	6,675.6
Non-durable	3,972.6	4,000.1	4,200.1	3,667.6
Durable	3,327.1	3,356.6	3,673.3	3,008.0
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,846.1	9,783.1	9,862.6	10,335.1
Non-durable	1,260.5	1,253.9	1,233.4	1,249.6
Durable	8,585.6	8,529.2	8,629.2	9,085.5
Inventory Owned: Total	15,414.9	15,090.2	14,983.1	14,663.0
Inventory Held: Total	16,144.6	15,809.3	15,729.1	15,215.5
Raw materials	6,976.9	6,791.2	6,822.2	6,797.9
Goods in process	4,144.6	4,056.3	4,004.7	3,696.5
Finished Products	5,023.0	4,961.8	4,902.1	4,721.1
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments: Total	7,538.5	7,357.8	7,224.3	7,017.3
Non-durable	4,085.6	3,932.8	3,919.6	3,848.0
Durable	3,452.9	3,425.0	3,304.7	3,169.3
New Orders: Total	7,536.0	7,321.1	7,331.6	7,031.2
Non-durable	4,100.3	3,959.9	3,938.0	3,839.6
Durable	3,435.7	3,361.2	3,393.6	3,191.6
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,921.3	9,923.8	9,960.5	10,406.0
Non-durable	1,305.1	1,290.4	1,263.3	1,288.7
Durable	8,616.2	8,633.4	8,697.2	9,117.3
Inventory Owned: Total	15,506.6	15,229.7	15,099.7	14,732.7
Inventory Held: Total	16,287.5	15,904.7	15,796.5	15,331.9
Raw materials	6,875.8	6,817.8	6,828.1	6,690.1
Goods in process	4,244.7	4,032.5	3,988.5	3,786.0
Finished products	5,167.0	5,064.4	4,979.9	4,855.8
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	2.06	2.07	2.09	2.10
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.69

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Not Seasonally Adjusted					
	Dec. 1975p	Nov. 1975r	% change	Jan.-Dec. 1975p	Jan.-Dec. 1974	% change
	(\$ millions)					
Newfoundland	39.8	40.7	-2.2	449.6	435.4	3.3
Nova Scotia	143.9	135.0	6.6	1,704.6	1,558.7	9.4
New Brunswick	152.5	149.9	1.8	1,701.6	1,633.1	4.2
Quebec	1,986.4	2,027.1	-2.0	23,197.2	21,909.3	5.9
Ontario	3,663.0	3,849.2	-4.8	43,480.8	40,914.0	6.3
Manitoba	205.9	211.5	-2.7	2,486.6	2,271.9	9.5
Saskatchewan	82.9	80.5	3.0	1,023.4	1,013.5	1.0
Alberta	332.1	345.5	-3.9	3,897.3	3,362.9	15.9
British Columbia	662.7	588.9	5.7	7,062.0	7,106.8	-0.6
Canada*	7,236.7	7,436.2	-2.7	85,101.2	80,291.5	6.0

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding

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Rigid Insulating Board, December 1975 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, December 1975 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, December 1975 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Copper and Nickel Production, December 1975 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)**Service Bulletin:**

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 4, No. 63, Builders and Shelf Hardware, December 1975

Estimates of Labour Income, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Labour income, adjusted for seasonal variations, was estimated at \$7,482.4 million in November, an increase of \$12.0 million or 0.2% from October. Wages and salaries in the goods-producing industries increased 1.4% while those in service-producing industries decreased 0.5% from October. The decline in service industries was largely due to the postal workers strike that prevailed throughout the month.

Unadjusted for seasonal variations, the November estimate of labour income showed an increase of 12.0% over

November 1974. Similarly, wages and salaries in the goods and service industries showed increases of 8.4% and 13.9%, respectively.

Further details will be published in the November issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, 40¢/\$4) and additional information can be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	(millions of dollars)			
	Nov. 1975f	Oct. 1975p	Sept. 1975p	Nov. 1974
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	53.3	65.4	79.7	44.7
Forestry	63.1	69.8	70.0	79.5
Mining	177.5	167.6	160.4	152.5
Manufacturing	1,643.1	1,640.9	1,625.8	1,535.9
Construction	628.2	685.4	670.3	554.6
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities ..	728.3	765.8	761.0	682.5
Trade	1,030.0	1,018.8	976.4	899.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	414.0	415.0	406.4	353.1
Service	1,716.6	1,715.5	1,801.0	1,486.0
Public Administration and Defence(1)	591.6	585.5	617.5	512.0
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	7,049.9	7,134.3	7,175.6	6,303.0
Supplementary Labour Income	459.6	470.9	476.6	403.7
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,509.4	7,605.2	7,652.2	6,706.7
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	61.3	60.3	59.3	51.3
Forestry	56.7	58.6	58.1	72.8
Mining	176.9	167.7	161.2	152.1
Manufacturing	1,630.7	1,605.9	1,590.4	1,526.0
Construction	613.0	613.4	585.6	541.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities ..	729.4	761.3	749.5	683.6
Trade	1,004.1	1,006.8	981.0	876.6
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	419.1	420.0	412.8	357.6
Service	1,684.8	1,682.1	1,781.7	1,457.6
Public Administration and Defence(1)	602.7	593.8	617.8	521.4
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	6,984.8	6,973.7	7,001.3	6,244.4
Supplementary Labour Income	497.6	496.7	488.9	448.5
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,482.4	7,470.4	7,490.2	6,692.9

f First estimates.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

(1) Excludes military pay and allowance.s.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

.. Not available.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Department store sales were \$593.3 million in November, an increase of 9.0% from \$544.5 million in November 1974.

Sales rose in 29 of the 40 departments. The largest sales increases were recorded by photographic equipment and supplies (37.6%) and gasoline, oil, auto accessories, repairs and supplies (30.0%). All provinces reported increased sales over November 1974, ranging from a high of 20.4% for Saskatchewan to 3.3% for British Columbia. Montreal sales increased 12.2%, Toronto 1.8%, Winnipeg 3.4% and Vancouver 2.0%.

The selling value of stocks held in November was \$1,667.6 million, an increase of 6.8% over November 1974. Inventories increased in 29 departments with the largest registered by stationery, books and magazines (45.7%) and gasoline, oil, auto accessories, repairs and supplies (33.6%). The greatest decrease was recorded by floor coverings (-20.8%).

For further information, order the November issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Radio Air-Time Sales, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were reported at \$6.5 million for October, an increase of 10.2% over \$5.9 million for October 1974. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$5.5 million, an increase of 11.6% over the \$5.0 million reported for October 1974.

Net local AM and FM radio air-time sales were reported at \$13.1 million, an increase of 3.7% over October 1974.

For further information, order *Communications Service Bulletin* (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact J.R. Slatery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, February 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on February 1 totalled 38.4 million pounds compared with 48.9 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 143.2 million pounds (118.0 million in 1975).

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Refined Petroleum Products, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Preliminary information indicates Canadian refineries produced 55,658,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in December, a decrease of 4.8% compared to the latest available data for December 1974.

Preliminary data for December shows that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 57,490,000 barrels, an increase of 1.3% over December 1974.

For further information order the December issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 5,938,827 phonograph records in December, up from 4,330,545 a year earlier. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8 track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 1,118,518 from 997,527.

For further information, order the December issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes — Service Bulletin* (47-004, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Footwear Statistics, December 1975 — Advance Information.

December production of footwear of all types increased to 2,969,040 pairs from 2,874,800 in December 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Federal Government Employment, Third Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

The federal government had 464,523 employees as of September 1975, up 10,781 from a year earlier. Total payroll for the quarter was \$1,437.6 million, an increase of \$188.7 million over the corresponding quarter for 1974.

For further information, order the third quarter issue of *Federal Government Employment* (72-004, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact Mr. T. Moore (613-995-0669), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Advance information on the pack, shipments and stocks of selected canned fruits and vegetables for December is now available.

For further information, order the December issue of *Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Merchandising Business Survey, 1973 — Correction.

An incorrect telephone number was included with this article in the *Daily* of February 19. The contact should be Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Industry Selling Price Index (1971=100)

	Percentage Change						
	Dec.* 1975	Nov.* 1975	Oct.* 1975	Dec.* 1974	Dec./75 Nov./75	Nov./75 Oct./75	Dec./75 Dec./74
All industries	157.1	156.8	157.2	147.6	0.1	-0.2	6.4
SIC major groups							
Food and beverage industries	173.7	173.6	176.4	168.8	0.0	-1.6	2.9
Rubber and plastics products industries	136.9	136.9	136.8	134.1	0.0	0.0	2.1
Leather industries	150.6	150.3	149.8	141.5	0.2	0.3	6.4
Textile industries	137.3	137.2	136.1	131.6	0.1	0.8	4.3
Knitting mills	119.8	119.8	119.5	118.3	0.0	0.2	1.3
Wood industries	158.0	154.0	153.8	143.3	2.6	0.1	10.3
Furniture and fixture industries	157.7	157.4	157.2	149.2	0.2	0.1	5.7
Paper and allied industries	179.2	179.2	180.4	165.7	0.0	-0.7	8.1
Primary metal industries	164.5	164.5	165.0	153.8	0.0	-0.2	7.0
Metal fabricating industries	156.8	156.8	156.1	143.1	0.0	0.4	9.6
Electrical products industries	138.5	138.5	138.5	132.5	0.0	0.0	4.5
Non-metallic mineral products industries	150.6	150.5	150.2	132.4	0.1	0.2	13.7
Petroleum and coal products industries	199.7	199.7	194.4	170.8	0.0	2.7	16.9
Chemical and chemical products industries	163.0	163.0	163.4	153.3	0.0	-0.3	6.4
Other major groups(1)	133.7	133.6	133.6	127.1	0.1	0.0	5.2

(1) Other major groups includes 2 — Tobacco products industries, 7 — Clothing industries, 14 — Machinery industries, 15 — Transportation equipment industries, 20 — Miscellaneous manufacturing industries.

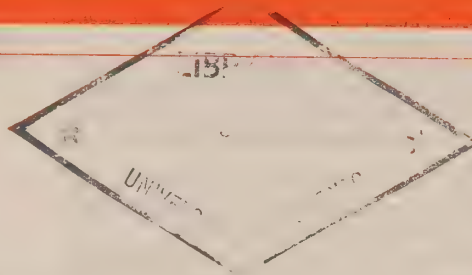
* These indexes are preliminary.

Prices Division is introducing a major revision of the *Industry Selling Price Indexes*, moving the time and weight bases from 1961=100 and switching to the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification. This table incorporates these revisions.

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Advance Trade Information

Full details on commodity-country import trade for December are now available, in advance of the regular publication Imports by Commodities (65-007, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, December 1975 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gold Production, December 1975 (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cement, December 1975 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Automobile Fabric Accessories Industry (34-222-p); Miscellaneous Clothing Industries (34-218-p)

Service Bulletins:

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), December 1975, Vol. 4: No. 59, Oil Filters and Cartridges; No. 60, Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools

Selected Dairy By-products (32-024 \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 1, Production and Inventory of Instant Dry Skim Milk Powder, January 1976



Railway Freight Traffic, Third Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

Third quarter statistics show that railways in Canada carried 62.3 million tons of revenue freight, a decrease of 12.5% from the similar three-month period of 1974. The 1975 figure comprised 57.4 million tons loaded in Canada, down 11.3% from 1974, and 4.9 million tons received from United States connections, a reduction of 24.4%.

Rail freight loadings were below 1974 levels in all provinces except Alberta (up 4.9%) and in the territories (up 1.5%). The most significant percentage declines occurred in New Brunswick and Newfoundland, where loadings were down 30.1% and 15.4% respectively.

Of the seven major commodity groups reported only food, feed, beverages and tobacco and end products showed gains over 1974. Labour problems in the forest products and mining industries adversely affected loadings in both the crude and fabricated materials groups.

During the first nine months of 1975 railways carried a total of 185.6 million tons of revenue freight, 8.3% below the 202.5 million tons hauled in the similar period of 1974.

For further information, order the third quarter issue of *Railway Freight Traffic* (52-002, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Federal Government Enterprise Finance, 1974 — Advance Information.

Federal government enterprises had income of \$6,885.2 million during the fiscal years ended nearest to December 31, 1974. Expenditure for the corresponding period amounted to \$6,179.1 million. This, on a financial management basis, resulted in a surplus of \$686.1 million after provision for income tax.

For further information, order the 1974 issue of *Federal Government Enterprise Finance* (61-203, \$1.05).

Steel Ingots, week ended February 21, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended February 21 totalled 284,108 short tons (257 738 metric tonnes), an increase of 2.2% from the preceding week's total of 278,075 short tons (252 265 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 280,493 tons (254 459 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 155.1 in the current week, 151.8 a week earlier and 153.1 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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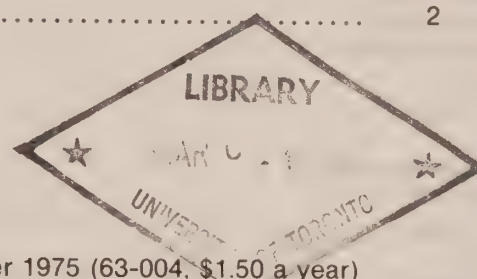
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- Department Store Sales by Regions, December 1975 (63-004, \$1.50 a year)**
- New Motor Vehicle Sales, December 1975 (63-007, 30¢/\$3)**
- Hospital Statistics, Volume I — Beds, Services, Personnel, 1973 (83-227, \$3.50)**
- Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics, November 1975 (73-001-p, N/A)**
- Gas Utilities, Transport and Distribution Systems, 1974 (57-205, \$1.05)**
- Particle Board, December 1975 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)**
- Oil Burners and Oil-fired Hot Water Heaters, December 1975 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)**
- Products Made from Canadian Clays, November 1975 (44-005, 15¢/\$1.50)**

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Motor Vehicle Shipments, December 1975 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, December 1975 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, November 1975 (46-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, December 1975 (33-001, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletins:

Aviation Statistics (51-004, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 8, No. 6, Scheduled Air Passenger Origin and Destination, February 1976; Vol. 8, No. 8, Aircraft Movement Statistics, December and Annual 1975

Weekly Security Price Indexes

February 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Feb. 20, 76 This week	Feb. 13/76 Week ago	Jan. 23, 76 Month ago
1971 = 100				
Investors Index	134	111.5	109.0	104.8
Industrials	85	115.0	112.4	108.0
Foods	9	98.0	96.2	94.9
Alcoholic beverages	5	94.6	94.2	93.4
Textiles and clothing	3	138.5	137.4	140.9
Pulp and paper	7	158.1	151.9	138.9
Printing and publishing	5	135.9	139.3	143.7
Primary metals	4	130.1	127.4	119.0
Industrial mines	6	92.1	90.7	85.2
Metal fabricating	9	227.3	210.6	190.3
Non-metallic minerals	4	105.4	101.0	97.0
Petroleum	8	106.3	103.7	104.3
Chemicals	5	148.8	144.2	128.4
Construction	5	213.6	204.5	195.1
Trade	15	106.7	104.8	103.6
Utilities and services	28	91.5	89.7	86.2
Transportation	6	126.8	119.8	112.4
Pipelines	5	78.7	78.2	73.9
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	108.0	106.5	102.8
Telephone	4	91.9	90.3	89.5
Electric power	3	103.3	103.7	104.4
Gas distribution	5	70.6	70.5	67.6
Finances	21	124.2	121.8	116.9
Banks	8	127.4	125.4	121.3
Investment and loan	9	119.4	115.6	109.8
Insurance	4	102.9	101.2	91.1
Mining Index	17	105.1	103.4	94.6
Gold	9	166.7	165.8	147.1
Base metals	8	75.5	73.4	69.4
Uraniums	2	228.0	226.4	212.3
Primary oils and gas index	5	101.6	98.3	95.4

For further information, order the February issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stoves and Ranges, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of stoves and ranges in December increased 3.8% to 35,072 units from 33,787 units in December 1974. Closing inventory of these products decreased 45.8% to 58,670 units from 108,188 a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

International Travel Receipts and Payments, 1975 — Advance Information.

Preliminary estimates for 1975 show that Canada earned \$1,805 million from international travel, 6.6% above 1974, while Canadians abroad spent \$2,511 million, up 26.9% from 1974. The result was a deficit of \$706 million on international travel, a sharp increase over 1974.

Travel receipts from the United States amounted to \$1,324 million while payments totalled \$1,558 million for an estimated deficit of \$234 million, the first deficit with the U.S. since 1961.

Receipts from countries other than the U.S. reached \$481 million, 31.4% higher than 1974. Payments to these countries attained \$953 million, resulting in a deficit of \$472 million.

For further information, order the December issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, 70¢/\$7).

(see table below)

Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

There were 119,436,000 plastic bottles produced during the fourth quarter, an increase from the 112,666,000 reported in the same quarter of 1974. Shipments of plastic bottles (excluding intra-company transfers) amounted to 82,068,000 compared to 84,179,000 in 1974. These shipments were valued f.o.b. plant at \$6,707,000 in 1975 and \$7,252,000 in 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Rubber and Plastic Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Industrial Chemicals, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Manufacturers shipped 53,641,776 pounds of polyethylene type synthetic resins in December, up from 45,003,967 pounds in December 1974.

Receipts and Payments on International Travel

	1974					1975p				
	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Year	QI (millions)	QII	QIII	QIV	Year
United States										
Receipts	126	338	673	191	1,328	130	320	684	190	1,324
Payments	328	296	347	225	1,196	480	377	418	283	1,558
Balance	-202	42	326	-34	132	-350	-57	266	-93	-234
All Other Countries										
Receipts	34	95	164	73	366	44	136	202	99	481
Payments	194	176	267	145	782	223	214	324	192	953
Balance	-160	-81	-103	-72	-416	-179	-78	-122	-93	-472
Total All Countries										
Receipts	160	433	837	264	1,694	174	456	886	289	1,805
Payments	522	472	614	370	1,978	703	591	742	475	2,511
Balance	-362	-39	223	-106	-284	-529	-135	144	-186	-706

p Preliminary estimates.

For further information, order the December issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), Financial Flows & Multinational Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

For further information, order the December issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Blood Banks, 1973.

A special survey was conducted of blood transfusion laboratories in Canadian hospitals in 1973, covering sources and use of blood and blood products in 463 banks operated by the hospitals. The survey showed:

- The Canadian Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service supplied 95% of the whole blood demanded in 1973.
- 67% of 675,799 units of whole blood supplied to hospitals was actually transfused.
- 75% of 198,624 units of concentrated red blood cells supplied to hospitals was actually used.
- 26,232 donors were bled in hospitals, 74% of them provided through Red Cross lists.
- An average of 7.3 units of blood were required for each open-heart surgery.
- Total cost of diagnostic reagents from commercial sources bought by hospitals for blood-bank purposes was \$2,484,251.
- Total cost of therapeutic products from commercial sources bought by hospitals for blood-bank purposes was \$791,384.

For further information, contact Louis de G. Fournier (613-995-0991), Hospitals Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Shipping Statistics, September 1975 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

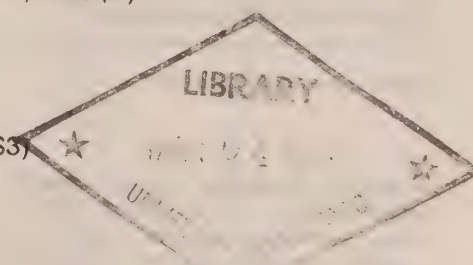
Farm Cash Receipts, December 1975 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Housing Starts and Completions, December 1975 (64-002, 40¢/\$4)

Cheques Cashed, December 1975 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

The Dairy Review, December 1975 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

Electric Power Statistics, December 1975 (57-001, 30¢/\$3)



Index of Industrial Production, December 1975 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production decreased 0.3% in December to 113.5 from 113.9 in November. Both mining and manufacturing declined while utilities increased slightly. In 1975, the index of industrial production decreased 4.8%. The decline originated with manufacturing (-5.1%) and mining (-7.1%).

For further information, order the December issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (Including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1975				% Change
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	112.1	111.8	113.9	113.5	-0.3
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	103.9	100.7	107.0	106.3	-0.7
Metal mines	1.584	92.7	87.9	101.7	101.4	-0.4
Mineral fuels	1.492	119.1	113.9	111.9	110.6	-1.1
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	85.6	94.4	110.1	109.5	-0.6
Manufacturing industries	22.862	111.3	111.3	113.2	112.8	-0.4
Food and beverage industries	3.254	108.8	109.3	111.5	112.1	0.6
Tobacco products industries	.212	107.1	110.9	114.0	111.5	-2.2
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	123.5	125.8	126.3	122.7	-2.8
Leather industries	.206	99.7	103.8	106.4	97.8	-8.1
Textile industries	.756	111.6	115.3	116.5	114.6	-1.6
Knitting mills	.205	109.8	109.7	110.0	110.3	0.3
Clothing industries	.742	107.1	106.9	107.3	106.3	-0.9
Wood industries	.968	91.2	104.4	107.7	107.1	-0.5
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	114.6	113.9	114.2	113.5	-0.6
Paper and allied industries	1.878	86.3	80.2	84.8	82.3	-2.9
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	121.1	120.4	119.1	118.1	-0.8
Primary metal industries	1.976	108.2	106.2	105.3	105.2	-0.1
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	110.9	111.7	111.8	111.0	-0.7
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	136.0	135.5	135.1	134.7	-0.3
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	120.5	117.9	122.7	124.3	1.3
Electrical products industries	1.631	116.6	115.8	118.1	117.9	-0.1
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	119.3	123.6	122.6	119.8	-2.3
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	114.3	118.9	127.6	131.6	3.1
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	115.6	115.7	119.6	120.4	0.7
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	106.0	103.9	105.1	105.1	—
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.6	130.9	128.9	129.2	0.2
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	107.9	107.5	109.8	109.1	-0.6
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	114.8	115.3	116.7	116.6	-0.1

(see tables on pages 3 & 4)

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing, January 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

This new survey provides a summary of management's expectations and assessments of specified conditions within manufacturing industries. Conducted experimentally in January, 1975, and repeated in July and October, the most recent survey was taken in January, 1976, and the results are being released for the first time with this issue of the *Daily*.

The survey is comparable with attitudinal surveys conducted in most member countries of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development and was initiated in response to its recommendation for a consistent international approach to measurement of conditions and expectations in the manufacturing sector. Important features of the

Canadian survey are that relatively few questions are asked, answers can be supplied without referring to records and results can be published shortly after the reference period.

The analysis of results of the latest survey indicated that, in management's opinion, the volume of production was expected to rise in 34% of manufacturing during February, March and April this year, compared with production levels since November, 1975. Another 50% of the response, weighted by the value of shipments, showed production would be about the same in both periods. Only 16% expected a decline. In January, 27% indicated levels of new orders were

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rising and 24% that they were declining. This was in marked contrast to October, when only 10% reported rising new orders and 42% reported them as declining. A question on the level of the backlog of unfilled orders, asked for the first time in January, showed that for 61% the level of the backlog was about normal. But 31% reported a lower-than-normal backlog and only 8% reported unfilled orders on hand were higher than normal.

According to 74% of the response, the level of finished products inventories on hand was about right, compared with 69% in October. Another 19% reported that stocks of finished products were too high and 7% that stocks were too low.

Survey results indicated that no production difficulties were being experienced by 66% of the industry compared with 63% in October. The most commonly identified difficulty, reported by 12%, was a shortage of skilled labour. Asked for the first time in January to specify if a shortage of working capital was impeding production, 5% indicated this was the case.

Response in January, 1976, was from more than 5,400 firms and represented about 47% of all manufacturing shipments. The value of shipments for the establishments represented by each response is assigned to the answer to each question. These values of shipments, or weights, are then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question.

Additional details on conditions in manufacturing, classified by economic use or type of market served, are shown in the accompanying tables. For further information, contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Sales Financing, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Sales finance companies purchased \$228.1 million of retail finance paper during December, an increase of 20.6% compared with the \$189.1 million purchased in December 1974. The total purchases comprised \$56.2 million for passenger cars, \$30.3 million for other consumer goods, \$86.2 million for commercial vehicles and \$55.4 million for other commercial and industrial goods. Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the third quarter amounted to \$1,607.0 million, an increase of 10.4% over \$1,455.5 million financed during the same quarter in 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1974	1975	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	118.9	113.2	-4.8
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	114.3	106.2	-7.1
Metal mines	1.584	105.7	99.9	-5.5
Mineral fuels	1.492	123.7	114.3	-7.6
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	120.2	100.3	-16.6
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Clothing industries	.742	108.0	105.4	-2.4
Wood industries	.968	113.5	101.9	-10.2
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	125.1	110.7	-11.5
Paper and allied industries	1.878	121.4	98.2	-19.1
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Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	135.7	136.8	0.8
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	119.4	116.6	-2.3
Electrical products industries	1.631	127.1	115.3	-9.3
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	123.3	118.3	-4.1
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	127.0	124.5	-2.0
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	118.0	117.4	-0.5
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	117.6	107.3	-8.8
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.2	129.2	—
Special industry groupings:				
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	115.3	110.3	-4.3
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	121.6	114.6	-5.8

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1st Qtr.	1975 2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	113.9	113.3	112.9	113.1	0.2
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.5	105.0	106.9	104.7	-2.1
Metal mines	1.584	103.6	100.7	98.8	97.0	-1.9
Mineral fuels	1.492	113.6	111.8	120.0	112.1	-6.6
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	113.3	94.5	88.7	104.6	18.0
Manufacturing industries	22.862	112.8	112.7	111.9	112.5	0.5
Food and beverage industries	3.254	110.8	109.9	109.5	111.0	1.4
Tobacco products industries	.212	108.9	103.2	108.6	112.1	3.3
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	116.6	120.3	123.2	124.9	1.4
Leather industries	.206	103.4	98.6	99.8	102.7	2.9
Textile industries	.756	102.2	104.1	109.7	115.4	5.3
Knitting mills	.205	98.6	105.6	108.0	110.0	1.9
Clothing industries	.742	104.3	104.7	106.4	106.8	0.4
Wood industries	.968	95.0	107.9	98.0	106.4	8.6
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	110.0	107.1	111.6	113.9	2.0
Paper and allied industries	1.878	111.1	106.8	92.5	82.4	-10.9
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	120.9	120.1	121.1	119.2	-1.6
Primary metal industries	1.976	113.1	106.8	105.7	105.6	-0.1
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	114.3	112.1	110.3	111.5	1.1
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	141.7	137.1	133.4	135.1	1.3
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	106.8	116.3	122.6	121.6	-0.8
Electrical products industries	1.631	116.5	112.6	114.9	117.3	2.1
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	115.5	116.2	119.1	122.0	2.5
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	122.3	130.6	119.4	126.0	5.5
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	118.1	116.2	116.3	118.6	2.0
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	112.0	107.2	105.8	104.7	-1.0
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.9	129.5	129.1	129.7	0.4
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	112.1	111.1	109.1	108.8	-0.3
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	113.4	114.2	114.7	116.2	1.3

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 14, 1976 —
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In the second week of February 4.1 million tons (3.7 million metric tonnes) of revenue freight were hauled by Canada's railways, 0.9% more than in the same 1975 period. Eastern loadings at 2.2 million tons (2.0 million metric tonnes) were down 1.6% from the previous year. Those west of the Lakehead rose 3.9% to 1.9 million tons (1.7 million metric tonnes).

Piggyback traffic in the current seven days was up 5.3% to 183,996 tons (166 918 metric tonnes).

Rail carload traffic for 1976 was 6.5% below the 1975 level at 24.2 million tons (22.0 million metric tonnes). Trailer and

container movements (piggyback) during the same period were down 2.5% to 1.0 million tons (920 776 metric tonnes).

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton 2,000 lbs. equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending February 14

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,167,387	1,914,559	4,081,946
Short tons, 1975	2,202,474	1,843,027	4,045,501
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 966 220	1 736 859	3 703 079
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 998 051	1 671 966	3 670 017
% change	-1.6	3.9	0.9
Cars, 1976	39,606	30,597	70,203
Cars, 1975	40,139	29,728	69,867
% change	-1.3	2.9	0.5
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	149,361	34,635	183,996
Short tons, 1975	127,365	47,436	174,801
Metric tonnes, 1976	135 498	31 420	166 918
Metric tonnes, 1975	115 544	43 033	158 577
% change	17.3	-27.0	5.3
Cars, 1976	6,212	1,608	7,820
Cars, 1975	5,508	2,311	7,819
% change	12.8	-30.4	—
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	12,525,870	11,704,326	24,230,196**
Short tons, 1975	13,931,182	11,974,039	25,905,221
Metric tonnes, 1976	11 363 278	10 617 986	21 981 264
Metric tonnes, 1975	12 638 156	10 862 665	23 500 821
% change	-10.1	-2.3	-6.5
Cars, 1976	222,884	184,666	407,550**
Cars, 1975	249,567	191,605	441,172
% change	-10.7	-3.6	-7.6
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	761,772	253,210	1,014,982**
Short tons, 1975	760,428	280,627	1,041,055
Metric tonnes, 1976	691 068	229 708	920 776
Metric tonnes, 1975	689 849	254 581	944 430
% change	0.2	-9.8	-2.5
Cars, 1976	32,155	11,230	43,385**
Cars, 1975	32,649	13,721	46,370
% change	-1.5	-18.2	-6.4

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

Table 1. Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

January, 1976

Management's Opinion of Expected Production and Orders and Inventory Levels

Survey Item and Condition or Expectation	Economic Use Classification of Industries													
	Durable Consumer Goods		Non-Durable Consumer Goods		Machinery and Equipment		Construction Materials & Supplies		Other Intermediate Goods		Export-Based Industries		All Manufacturing Industries	
	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976
	Percentage of weighted response(1)													
Expected volume of production in next 3 months compared with last 3 months(2) (3)														
Higher	..	43	..	24	..	17	..	23	..	43	..	44	..	34
About the same	..	37	..	62	..	54	..	54	..	40	..	47	..	50
Lower	..	20	..	14	..	29	..	23	..	17	..	9	..	16
Level of New Orders(2)														
Rising	17	34	10	20	7	8	12	18	8	34	9	37	10	27
About the same	50	50	68	63	37	41	44	50	38	39	46	47	48	49
Declining	33	16	22	17	56	51	44	32	54	27	45	16	42	24
Backlog of Unfilled Orders(3)														
Higher than normal	..	17	..	5	..	14	..	15	..	6	..	7	..	8
About normal	..	62	..	84	..	47	..	52	..	53	..	58	..	61
Lower than normal	..	21	..	11	..	39	..	33	..	41	..	35	..	31
Finished Products Inventory														
Too high	25	22	9	11	34	34	21	25	26	15	21	26	21	19
About right	57	64	83	84	62	64	70	69	63	81	68	59	69	74
Too low	18	14	8	5	4	2	9	6	11	4	11	15	10	7

(1) Individual replies were weighted by the value of respondent's shipments as reported to the Census of Manufactures; these weighted replies were then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question.

(2) Respondents were asked to allow for normal seasonal fluctuations.

(3) Question asked for the first time in the January 1976 survey.

Table 2. Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

January 1976

Sources of Production Difficulties Reported by Management

Economic Use Classification of Industries	Shortages											
	Working Capital(1)		Skilled Labour		Unskilled Labour		Raw Materials		Other Difficulties		No Difficulties Reported	
	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976	Oct. 1975	Jan. 1976
	Percentage of weighted response(2)											
Durable Consumer Goods	..	5	14	16	7	3	15	3	6	12	59	64
Non-Durable Consumer Goods	..	2	12	10	6	2	12	9	10	12	60	67
Machinery & Equipment	..	3	26	21	5	2	3	6	15	8	51	65
Construction Materials and Supplies	..	2	15	17	5	5	6	4	15	6	60	71
Other Intermediate Goods	..	9	10	10	4	4	4	4	12	11	71	75
Export-Based Industries	..	4	6	11	4	2	5	7	24	33	61	50
All Manufacturing Industries	..	5	12	12	5	3	7	6	14	15	63	66

(1) Question asked for the first time in the January 1976 survey.

(2) Individual replies were weighted by the value of the respondent's shipments as reported to the Census of Manufactures; these weighted replies were then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question. Because respondents could report more than one production difficulty, the percentages may add to more than 100%.

Residential Building Construction Input Price IndexesJanuary 1976 — Advance Information.
(1971=100)

	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975	% Change	
				Jan./76 Dec./75	Jan./76 Jan./75
Canada, Total	153.2	152.0	134.8	0.8	13.6
Materials	147.7	145.9	130.8	1.2	12.9
Labour	162.9	162.8	141.8	0.1	14.9
Atlantic Provinces, Total	161.6	159.8	143.8	1.1	12.4
Materials	150.5	148.1	134.9	1.6	11.6
Labour	180.9	180.1	159.1	0.5	13.7
Quebec	156.3	154.8	134.5	1.0	16.2
Materials	153.0	150.7	132.2	1.6	15.7
Labour	162.6	162.6	138.8	—	17.1
Ontario, Total	149.3	148.9	133.7	0.3	11.7
Materials	145.4	144.8	130.9	0.4	11.1
Labour	155.8	155.8	138.6	—	12.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	158.4	156.5	136.2	1.2	16.3
Materials	147.1	144.3	130.4	2.0	12.8
Labour	180.1	180.1	147.4	—	22.2
British Columbia, Total	151.1	148.9	132.5	1.5	14.0
Materials	146.4	142.8	126.9	2.5	15.4
Labour	159.6	159.6	142.4	—	12.1

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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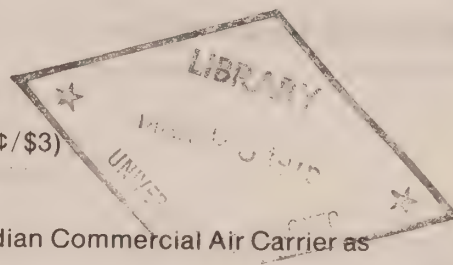
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Aviation (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8: No. 4, Airport Activity Statistics, Second Quarter 1975; No. 6, Scheduled Air Passenger Origin and Destination, Third Quarter of 1974 and 1975



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, January 1976 —
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On a balance-of-payments basis, Canadian exports declined marginally in January while imports rose 7% from December 1975. Seasonally-adjusted exports totalled \$2,849 million and imports reached a record high level of \$3,158 million. As a result, the merchandise trade deficit increased from \$91 million in December to \$309 million in January.

In the accompanying table, seasonally-adjusted export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in *Summary of External Trade*. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment, deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to *Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments* (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

Exports (Customs Basis)

At \$3,062 million, seasonally-adjusted merchandise exports in January were 7.8% higher than December and exceeded the \$3 billion level for the first time. In rising 3.9% to \$1,972 million, exports to the United States also stood at the highest recorded level. This increase to the U.S. represented a third of the over-all gain. Except for a 10% fall in shipments to the

United Kingdom, Canadian exports increased in January to other European Economic Community countries, Japan and in particular to the remaining countries. There was a sharp drop in exports of metallic ores and concentrates from a high December level and a smaller decline in wheat shipments. But shipments of other commodities to overseas markets showed widespread increases. Exports of lumber to the U.S. were sharply higher in January, as were those of trucks and automotive parts. Shipments to the U.S. of metallic ores, crude petroleum, newsprint, machinery and cars were, however, reduced in January.

More indicative of the underlying movement in trade, seasonally-adjusted merchandise exports rose 5.5% to \$8,682 million in the three months ended January 1976 from \$8,233 million in the preceding three-month period. Exports to the U.S. rose 3.8% to \$5,793 million and accounted for just under half of the over-all increase to all countries. Except for a decline of 7% in exports to Japan in the current three-month period, there were gains in shipments to other overseas areas.

Imports (Customs Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted imports increased 13.7% to \$3,264 million in January from a revised December total of \$2,869 million. In rising 7.9% to \$2,132 million, imports from the U.S. accounted for 40% of the increase from all countries. Imports gained from most overseas countries in January, excepting the EEC.

In the current three-month period ended in January, imports reached a total of \$9,080 million, up 3.2% over the August-October period. Overseas countries contributed 55% of this increase, although imports from the United Kingdom fell 8.5%.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the January issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

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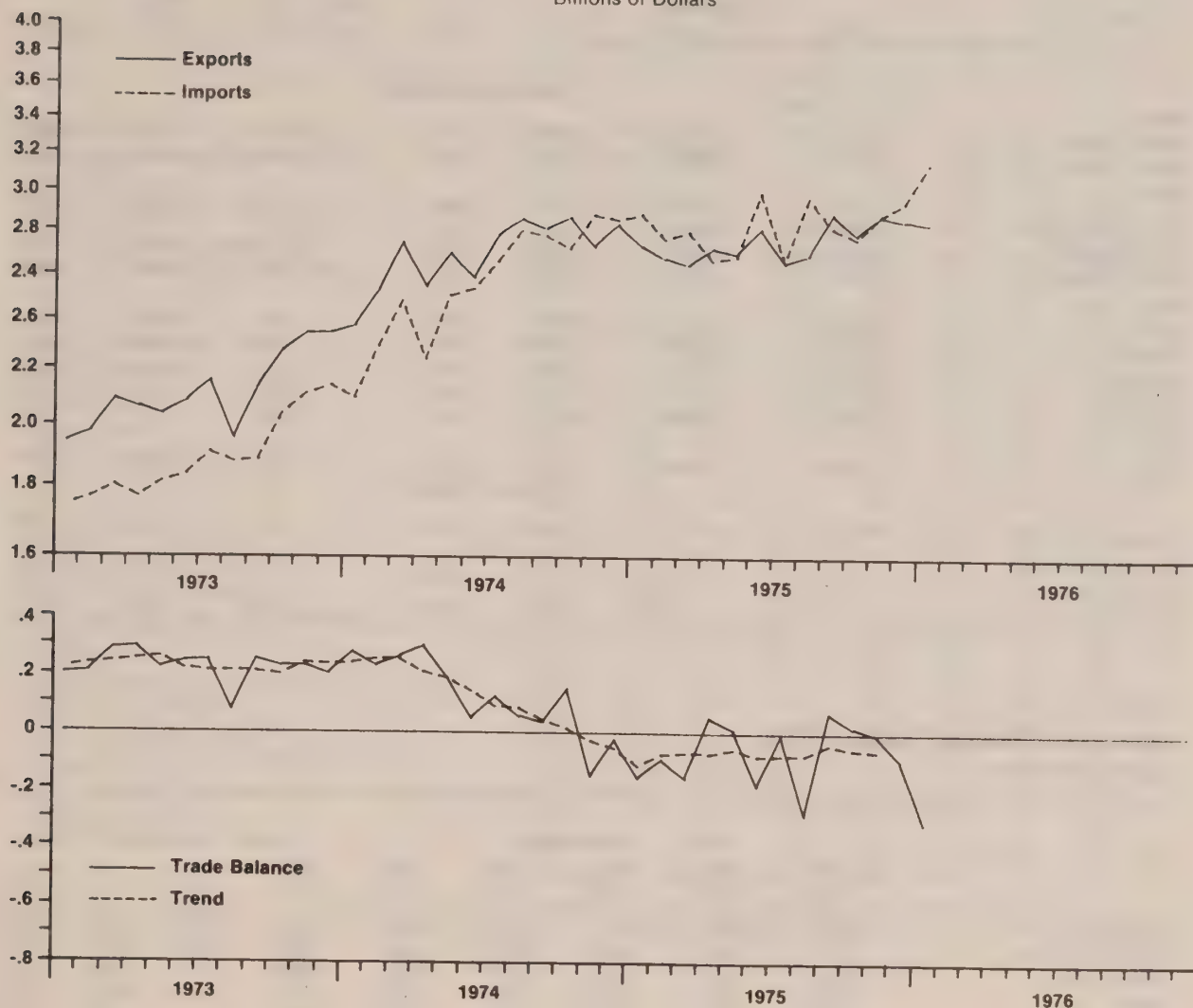
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	Customs Basis		Balance of Payments Basis				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	
	(\$ millions)						
1974							
Third Quarter	8,009	7,852	8,001	7,713	8,461	8,241	220
Fourth Quarter	8,729	8,865	8,871	8,683	8,446	8,462	-16
1975							
First Quarter	7,668	8,268	7,538	8,103	8,063	8,461	-398
Second Quarter	8,678	9,263	8,858	9,063	8,246	8,358	-112
Third Quarter	7,587	8,112	7,798	7,932	8,254	8,467	-213
Fourth Quarter	8,733	8,890	8,912	8,803	8,543	8,615	-72
1975							
August	2,232	2,568	2,331	2,526	2,697	2,977	-280
September	2,710	2,824	2,811	2,750	2,895	2,825	70
October	2,961	3,099	3,057	3,011	2,796	2,774	22
November	2,861	2,984	2,983	2,918	2,884	2,887	-3
December	2,911	2,807	2,872	2,874	2,863	2,954	-91
1976							
January	2,823	3,026	2,679	2,959	2,849	3,158	-309

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EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies decreased in November to 314,974,000 feet board measure from 319,168,000 feet in November 1974. Stocks on hand at the end of November totalled 899,833,000 feet board measure.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 15¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Gas Utilities, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian consumers purchased 111.8 billion cubic feet of natural gas in November, down 4.6% from 117.2 billion cubic feet a year earlier. Exports decreased to 20.8 billion cubic feet from 83.1 billion. Cumulative sales for 1975 totalled 1,183.2 billion cubic feet, an increase of 0.3% from 1,179.9 billion cubic feet in 1974.

For further information order the November issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact R. Peacock (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Table 1

Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A.	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
(millions of dollars)							
1974							
Third Quarter	8,371.1	6,513.1	5,608.5	311.2	2,451.4	503.7	398.3
Fourth Quarter	8,622.0	6,609.7	5,738.1	316.2	2,567.7	516.4	425.8
1975							
First Quarter	8,679.1	6,914.9	5,571.8	334.5	2,772.8	584.9	395.3
Second Quarter	8,590.9	6,615.0	5,781.5	311.7	2,497.7	511.6	297.9
Third Quarter	8,653.8	6,515.7	6,040.2	289.8	2,323.8	483.6	256.3
Fourth Quarter	8,694.8	6,451.2	6,126.7	288.8	2,279.3	498.8	268.9
1975							
August	3,011.2	2,272.0	2,027.0	97.5	886.7	166.4	82.8
September	2,905.4	2,195.6	2,070.8	97.6	737.0	144.1	84.3
October	2,877.9	2,172.4	2,016.0	110.0	751.9	166.3	92.0
November	2,947.8	2,114.5	2,135.8	88.2	723.8	158.5	93.9
December	2,869.1	2,164.3	1,974.9	90.6	803.6	174.0	83.0
1976							
January	3,263.5	2,604.5	2,132.2	100.4	1,030.9	165.6	122.4
Percent changes							
January/December	13.7	20.3	7.9	10.8	28.3	-4.8	47.4
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	3.2	3.6	2.1	-8.4	7.6	4.4	15.5
Jan. 76/Jan. 75	9.4	8.9	16.4	-10.0	-0.9	-16.4	-17.6

Table 2

Imports by Principal Trading Areas

(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Nov. 1974	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
United States	1,985.3	1,929.1	2,151.8	1,735.2	1,810.3	2,025.1	14.4	6.5	6.2
United Kingdom	97.0	86.0	85.5	107.4	106.1	99.8	-9.6	-18.9	-14.3
Other E.E.C.	154.1	161.0	165.8	185.5	180.1	168.8	-16.8	-10.6	-1.7
Japan	115.7	79.1	101.1	145.3	128.6	160.8	-20.3	-38.4	-37.1
Other O.E.C.D.	89.5	79.3	111.8	84.7	101.5	143.4	5.6	-21.8	-22.0
Other America	190.9	146.8	125.6	201.0	163.9	160.8	-5.0	-10.4	-21.8
Other Countries	393.2	325.5	241.9	369.9	258.4	265.9	6.2	25.9	-9.0
All Countries	3,025.7	2,806.8	2,983.5	2,829.0	2,748.9	3,024.6	6.9	2.1	-1.3
	Year-to-Date						Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Jan. 1974	Dec. 1973	76/75	75/74	
United States	1,985.3	23,485.9	1,735.2	21,305.9	1,535.7	16,502.0	14.4	12.9	
United Kingdom	97.0	1,221.6	107.4	1,126.5	80.0	1,005.4	-9.6		
Other E.E.C.	154.1	2,063.8	185.5	1,919.8	124.9	1,476.8	-16.8	48.4	
Japan	115.7	1,204.7	145.3	1,428.1	85.0	1,010.9	-20.3	71.0	
Other O.E.C.D.	89.5	1,187.4	84.7	1,113.3	87.5	872.8	5.6	-3.1	
Other America	190.9	1,795.0	201.0	2,015.2	123.7	1,032.7	-5.0	62.4	
Other Countries	393.2	3,578.8	369.9	2,730.6	144.6	1,423.0	6.2	155.8	
All Countries	3,025.7	34,537.2	2,829.0	31,639.4	2,181.4	23,323.6	6.9	29.7	

Table 3

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Nov. 1974	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
(millions of dollars)									
Live Animals	4.1	4.2	6.7	10.4	6.7	9.6	-60.2	-38.1	-29.7
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	203.4	200.4	251.9	239.7	237.8	263.4	-15.1	-15.7	-4.3
Meat and fish	37.0	31.6	37.4	29.1	29.3	25.0	27.0	7.7	49.3
Fruits and vegetables	63.9	62.2	61.9	62.3	62.8	63.9	2.5	-0.9	-3.0
Raw sugar	11.3	24.4	65.3	70.9	48.1	79.3	-83.9	-49.3	-17.6
Crude Materials, Inedible	569.7	461.6	354.3	502.0	346.1	382.9	13.5	33.3	-7.4
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	26.2	30.8	48.8	37.5	37.0	37.1	-30.2	-16.7	31.4
Coal	41.9	61.1	66.2	28.1	22.9	49.2	49.1	166.8	34.5
Crude petroleum	421.7	304.0	191.1	352.9	230.9	244.6	19.4	31.6	-21.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	529.4	475.8	525.8	557.3	540.4	622.7	-4.9	-11.9	-15.5
Wood and paper	68.7	73.4	79.2	39.1	38.8	38.7	75.7	89.3	104.7
Textiles	101.9	59.9	70.3	62.0	60.5	67.9	64.3	-1.0	3.6
Chemicals	130.8	126.1	129.3	130.6	127.3	142.8	0.1	-0.9	-9.4
Iron and steel	50.4	57.9	66.5	127.4	113.3	158.0	-60.4	-48.9	-57.9
Bars and rods, steel	6.0	9.6	10.7	21.5	15.3	30.3	-72.3	-36.9	-64.6
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	14.9	18.6	17.7	52.1	51.8	69.1	-71.4	-64.1	-74.3
Non-ferrous metals	33.0	35.8	34.6	52.1	50.5	52.4	-36.7	-29.1	-34.0
End Products, Inedible	1,552.4	1,638.3	1,818.9	1,494.7	1,590.4	1,716.3	3.8	3.0	5.9
General purpose machinery	100.4	101.7	103.9	111.8	100.9	110.0	-10.1	0.7	-5.5
Special industry machinery	145.3	135.8	131.4	153.4	141.8	143.0	-5.2	-4.2	-8.1
Machine tools, metalworking	12.3	12.9	12.3	15.0	16.7	13.5	-18.0	-22.9	-8.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	93.1	96.2	85.9	83.3	79.3	79.9	11.7	21.2	7.4
Transportation equipment	662.2	789.3	936.2	604.5	772.2	839.7	9.5	2.2	11.5
Sedans, new	129.3	217.4	287.8	116.2	149.1	206.6	11.3	45.8	39.2
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	49.0	69.6	70.1	47.2	69.2	82.9	3.8	0.6	-15.3
Motor vehicle engines	35.0	45.1	44.9	31.9	37.1	41.8	9.9	21.5	7.2
Motor vehicle engine parts	30.4	27.4	40.2	22.2	27.7	35.2	37.3	-1.0	14.4
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	297.9	305.4	355.7	255.4	288.1	312.1	16.6	6.0	13.9
Aircraft, complete with engines	7.8	11.8	10.4	17.1	73.2	28.7	-54.5	-83.8	-63.6
Other equipment and tools	291.7	280.0	304.1	291.1	279.3	313.4	0.2	0.2	-2.9
Electronic computers	28.2	33.1	29.1	31.6	28.6	27.1	-10.7	15.4	7.1
Special Transactions, Trade	166.6	26.4	26.0	25.0	27.2	30.0	565.8	-3.0	-13.2
Total	3,025.7	2,806.8	2,983.5	2,829.0	2,748.9	3,024.6	6.9	2.1	-1.3

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			Year to Date				Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes	
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Jan. 1974	Dec. 1973	76/75	75/74
	(millions of dollars)							
Live Animals	4.1	75.2	10.4	109.3	10.5	137.1	-60.2	-1.4
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	203.4	2,606.4	239.7	2,404.5	172.9	1,844.4	-15.1	38.6
Meat and fish	37.0	337.7	29.1	314.0	33.6	339.4	27.0	-13.2
Fruits and vegetables	63.9	773.5	62.3	693.3	46.0	609.2	2.5	35.4
Raw sugar	11.3	459.2	70.9	401.8	22.7	162.0	-83.9	212.7
Crude Materials, Inedible	569.7	5,079.7	502.0	4,072.4	239.7	2,016.3	13.5	109.4
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	26.2	468.4	37.5	397.3	22.6	330.4	-30.2	66.0
Coal	41.9	576.3	28.1	302.9	8.9	167.1	49.1	216.7
Crude petroleum	421.7	3,297.8	352.9	2,646.2	133.6	940.7	19.4	164.1
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	529.4	5,936.3	557.3	6,481.7	419.8	4,281.6	-4.9	32.7
Wood and pulp	68.7	644.5	39.1	559.3	41.1	404.2	75.7	-4.9
Textiles	101.9	740.2	62.0	816.9	67.6	658.9	64.3	-8.2
Chemicals	130.8	1,475.4	130.6	1,537.4	95.5	1,023.1	0.1	36.6
Iron and steel	50.4	936.7	127.4	1,259.6	70.5	652.8	-60.4	80.7
Bars and rods, steel	6.0	136.1	21.5	247.5	13.9	94.8	-72.3	54.6
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	14.9	276.9	52.1	472.2	24.1	222.6	-71.4	116.4
Non ferrous metals	33.0	419.6	52.1	608.1	36.8	373.5	-36.7	41.5
End Products, Inedible	1,552.4	20,515.3	1,494.7	18,282.1	1,322.2	14,797.4	3.8	13.0
General purpose machinery	100.4	1,347.1	111.8	1,142.9	84.0	896.2	-10.1	33.0
Special industry machinery	145.3	1,860.4	153.4	1,577.4	110.2	1,229.9	-5.2	39.2
Machine tools, metalworking	12.3	171.9	15.0	149.3	11.4	118.9	-18.0	31.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	93.1	1,237.3	83.3	901.7	52.0	636.0	11.7	60.3
Transportation equipment	662.2	9,396.2	604.5	8,349.9	626.7	6,990.6	9.5	-3.5
Sedans, new	129.3	2,270.6	116.2	1,805.1	99.0	1,568.8	11.3	17.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	49.0	808.4	47.2	825.9	56.7	570.2	3.8	-16.7
Motor vehicle engines	35.0	437.3	31.9	400.5	29.9	382.3	9.9	6.4
Motor vehicle engines parts	30.4	390.6	22.2	333.3	25.9	366.9	37.3	-14.4
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	297.9	3,589.3	255.4	3,193.6	293.3	2,754.5	16.6	-12.9
Aircraft, complete with engines	7.8	290.9	17.1	376.4	32.4	260.1	-54.5	-47.2
Other equipment and tools	291.7	3,528.5	291.1	3,486.5	252.1	2,805.0	0.2	15.4
Electronic computers	28.2	343.3	31.6	333.1	25.5	276.8	-10.7	23.6
Special Transactions, Trade	166.6	324.2	25.0	289.4	16.3	246.7	565.8	53.7
Total	3,025.7	34,537.2	2,829.0	31,639.4	2,181.4	23,323.6	6.9	29.7

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A.	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
(millions of dollars)								
1974								
Third Quarter	8,450.2	6,901.0	6,387.2	5,678.6	499.9	2,271.7	540.1	513.6
Fourth Quarter	8,320.1	6,793.2	6,326.1	5,648.0	484.1	2,188.0	560.8	485.0
1975								
First Quarter	8,193.2	6,833.5	6,355.1	5,273.3	560.8	2,359.1	607.4	452.6
Second Quarter	8,162.7	6,552.5	5,980.7	5,072.5	440.8	2,649.4	635.7	600.7
Third Quarter	8,157.7	6,464.9	6,068.4	5,480.8	456.5	2,220.4	600.1	555.5
Fourth Quarter	8,404.3	6,819.4	6,276.3	5,753.1	347.6	2,303.6	487.8	527.5
1975								
August	2,625.7	2,064.4	1,975.5	1,798.6	101.8	725.3	160.9	202.9
September	2,823.9	2,292.5	2,134.6	1,846.2	160.1	817.6	239.7	216.0
October	2,783.8	2,190.7	2,009.9	1,932.8	86.5	764.5	112.2	193.2
November	2,781.7	2,268.7	2,111.5	1,921.8	117.2	742.7	179.9	118.3
December	2,838.6	2,360.1	2,154.9	1,898.4	143.9	796.3	195.6	216.0
1976								
January	3,061.9	2,433.6	2,287.0	1,972.4	129.6	959.9	230.0	233.8
Percent changes								
January/December	7.8	3.1	6.1	3.9	-9.9	20.5	17.5	8.2
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	5.4	7.8	7.0	3.8	12.1	8.3	18.0	-7.1
Jan. 76/Jan. 75	7.4	2.0	5.4	12.0	-26.1	5.0	16.6	8.9

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas
(millions of dollars)

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Nov. 1974	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
United States	1,813.8	1,895.2	1,967.0	1,646.8	1,786.0	1,986.8	10.1	6.1	-0.9
United Kingdom	122.8	149.7	121.8	181.5	170.6	149.9	-32.3	-12.2	-18.7
Other E.E.C.	226.4	221.2	187.3	204.5	203.2	154.1	10.7	8.8	21.5
Japan	215.1	202.7	128.4	213.5	132.9	220.9	0.7	52.5	-41.8
Other O.E.C.D.	61.3	72.0	60.1	79.4	90.6	102.7	-22.7	-20.5	-41.4
Other America	116.8	107.2	123.6	147.2	148.9	162.3	-20.6	-28.0	-23.8
Other Countries	267.2	263.1	273.1	232.2	152.9	191.2	15.0	72.0	42.8
All Countries	2,823.4	2,911.1	2,861.3	2,705.1	2,685.1	2,967.9	4.3	8.4	-3.5
	Year-to-Date						Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Jan. 1974	Dec. 1973	76/75	75/74	
United States	1,813.8	21,545.3	1,646.8	21,325.1	1,501.1	17,129.0	10.1	9.7	
United Kingdom	122.8	1,783.8	181.5	1,902.8	141.9	1,604.4	-32.3	27.8	
Other E.E.C.	226.4	2,316.3	204.5	2,144.3	170.7	1,580.2	10.7	19.8	
Japan	215.1	2,119.8	213.5	2,229.0	212.6	1,813.8	0.7	0.4	
Other O.E.C.D.	61.3	886.7	79.4	1,107.0	81.7	787.8	-22.7	-2.8	
Other America	116.8	1,513.2	147.2	1,510.0	91.5	927.2	-20.6	60.8	
Other Countries	267.2	2,692.2	232.2	1,958.3	134.0	1,577.2	15.0	73.3	
All Countries	2,823.4	32,857.3	2,705.1	32,176.5	2,333.5	25,419.6	4.3	15.9	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Nov. 1974	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
(millions of dollars)									
Live Animals	9.9	15.8	13.5	2.7	5.8	6.3	260.7	174.2	114.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	354.3	403.9	351.0	383.3	298.4	378.0	-7.5	35.3	-7.1
Meat and fish	45.3	46.0	57.1	40.5	41.8	47.0	11.7	10.0	21.4
Cereals and preparations	253.9	287.2	232.7	277.1	199.5	268.2	-8.3	43.9	-13.2
Wheat	158.0	210.6	169.8	231.1	155.6	213.3	-31.6	35.3	-20.3
Crude Materials, Inedible	737.3	794.6	691.4	716.4	686.3	724.1	2.9	15.7	-4.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	150.3	224.8	204.4	165.8	178.8	225.0	-9.3	25.7	-9.1
Crude petroleum	293.7	270.3	264.0	328.4	300.2	311.3	-10.5	-9.9	-15.1
Natural gas	136.7	132.5	115.6	63.2	63.7	49.8	116.4	108.0	132.3
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	843.1	733.3	796.2	866.0	860.8	882.8	-2.6	-14.8	-9.7
Wood and paper	399.3	339.4	327.4	435.8	435.6	432.4	-8.3	-22.0	-24.2
Lumber, softwood	99.6	78.5	69.5	58.0	69.5	69.6	71.5	12.8	-0.0
Wood pulp and similar pulp	171.5	144.6	119.1	170.2	157.6	175.7	0.8	-8.2	-32.1
Newsprint paper	85.3	84.0	105.6	168.0	157.3	144.7	-49.2	-46.5	-27.0
Textiles	10.1	7.0	8.0	8.1	7.6	10.2	25.6	-8.4	-21.3
Chemicals	96.6	89.7	100.2	96.1	95.9	87.0	0.5	-6.4	15.1
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	42.3	37.5	47.5	49.3	44.7	40.7	-14.1	-15.9	16.6
Petroleum and coal products	73.7	54.0	71.0	58.6	58.3	69.6	25.9	-7.3	2.0
Iron and steel	60.6	54.7	71.6	79.1	78.4	79.6	-23.3	-30.2	-10.0
Non-ferrous metals	150.4	144.7	166.3	139.7	137.5	151.4	7.6	5.2	9.8
Copper and alloys	43.9	38.8	38.6	37.0	30.8	39.7	18.8	26.2	-2.8
Nickel and alloys	23.2	22.5	30.7	40.6	32.4	34.7	-42.8	-30.6	-11.3
End Products, Inedible	816.3	898.6	934.1	671.9	761.0	889.1	21.4	18.0	5.0
Industrial machinery	67.7	72.3	83.3	80.9	72.1	67.3	-16.3	0.1	23.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	31.3	43.7	42.6	36.9	38.1	34.3	-15.2	14.7	24.0
Transportation equipment	582.0	635.1	654.7	419.6	498.8	629.1	38.7	27.3	4.0
Passenger automobiles and chassis	252.6	253.2	300.4	173.0	224.5	310.8	46.0	12.7	-3.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	96.3	86.6	90.1	76.9	78.7	86.2	25.2	10.1	4.4
Motor vehicle engines and parts	46.9	43.3	52.5	27.0	28.9	42.5	73.6	49.6	23.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	137.4	131.7	152.2	93.2	101.2	141.4	47.3	30.1	7.5
Other equipment and tools	50.2	64.0	64.4	59.9	62.0	61.6	-16.1	3.2	4.5
Special Transactions, Trade	10.6	8.9	12.0	3.1	8.1	17.8	238.3	10.0	-32.5
Total	2,771.6	2,855.1	2,798.4	2,643.4	2,620.3	2,898.2	4.8	8.9	-3.4

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	Year to Date						Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes	
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Jan. 1974	Dec. 1973	76/75	75/74
(millions of dollars)								
Live Animals	9.9	83.3	2.7	89.7	6.3	144.7	260.7	-56.2
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	354.3	3,990.3	383.3	3,747.5	276.0	3,011.8	-7.5	38.8
Meat and fish	45.3	576.7	40.5	523.2	43.4	637.9	11.7	-6.6
Cereals and preparations	253.9	2,689.4	277.1	2,532.3	174.5	1,634.1	-8.3	58.8
Wheat	158.0	1,996.5	231.1	2,049.7	134.7	1,220.6	-31.6	71.5
Crude Materials, Inedible	737.3	7,954.0	716.4	7,768.1	530.0	5,024.8	2.9	35.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	150.3	2,236.1	165.8	2,373.3	204.8	1,999.5	-9.3	-19.0
Crude petroleum	293.7	3,051.5	328.4	3,406.8	171.8	1,482.1	-10.5	91.1
Natural gas	136.7	1,092.2	63.2	493.6	37.0	350.7	116.4	70.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	843.1	9,821.2	866.0	10,638.4	788.0	8,223.9	-2.6	9.8
Wood and paper	399.3	5,000.9	435.8	5,477.9	418.8	4,485.4	-8.3	4.0
Lumber, softwood	99.6	948.2	58.0	1,254.0	105.7	1,558.7	71.5	-45.0
Woodpulp and similar pulp	171.5	1,818.0	170.2	1,864.1	132.6	1,082.3	0.8	28.3
Newsprint paper	85.3	1,742.0	168.0	1,724.5	131.7	1,287.7	-49.2	27.5
Textiles	10.1	99.1	8.1	134.0	10.9	116.1	25.6	-25.8
Chemicals	96.6	1,018.2	96.1	980.8	69.1	700.0	0.5	39.1
Fertilizers and fertilizer Materials	42.3	456.3	49.3	421.1	27.7	282.6	-14.1	77.8
Petroleum and coal products	73.7	637.7	58.6	615.1	38.6	311.6	25.9	51.7
Iron and steel	60.6	746.0	79.1	749.6	43.8	480.0	-23.3	80.6
Non-ferrous metals	150.4	1,715.0	139.7	1,991.3	155.9	1,604.1	7.6	-10.3
Copper and alloys	43.9	475.0	37.0	650.1	55.3	521.5	18.8	-33.1
Nickel and alloys	23.2	413.6	40.6	436.7	30.9	377.3	-42.8	31.3
End Products, Inedible	816.3	10,168.1	671.9	9,088.6	681.6	8,386.3	21.4	-1.4
Industrial machinery	67.7	916.6	80.9	758.2	52.6	554.1	-16.3	53.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	31.3	541.4	36.9	397.7	23.8	290.3	-15.2	55.4
Transportation equipment	582.0	6,934.2	419.6	6,198.3	483.8	6,079.0	38.7	-13.2
Passenger automobiles and chassis	252.6	2,945.4	173.0	2,649.1	227.5	2,414.4	46.0	-23.9
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	96.3	1,012.8	76.9	864.5	71.3	775.5	25.2	7.8
Motor vehicle engines and parts	46.9	517.8	27.0	460.8	36.4	543.9	73.6	-25.7
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	137.4	1,599.9	93.2	1,493.2	106.4	1,562.9	47.3	-12.3
Other equipment and tools	50.2	740.7	59.9	659.6	51.7	582.3	-16.1	15.7
Special Transactions, Trade	10.6	78.7	3.1	79.6	5.0	45.4	238.3	-36.5
Total	2,771.6	32,095.7	2,643.4	31,411.9	2,286.9	24,836.9	4.8	15.5

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

December 1975 — Advance Information.

	Domestic	Export	Total
	(net tons of 2,000 pounds)		
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	28,029	621	28,650
Rails	33,271	15,645	48,916
Wire rods	42,075	9,834	51,909
Structural shapes:			
Heavy	44,915	4,025	48,940
Bar-sized shapes	7,444	152	7,596
Concrete reinforcing bars	40,752	—	40,752
Other hot rolled bars	66,228	2,543	68,771
Tire plates and track material	8,345	—	8,345
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	88,843	16,968	105,811
Hot rolled sheets	166,093	21,430	187,523
Hot rolled strip	4,975	125	5,100
Cold finished bars			
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled			
other, coated	129,324	11,144	140,468
Galvanized sheets	61,731	5,054	66,785
Total	722,025	87,541	809,566

*Producer's shipments excluding producer's interchange.

For further information, order the December issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

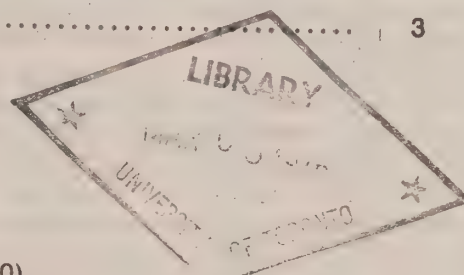
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Real Domestic Product, December 1975 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product increased 1.0% to 118.1 in December from the revised level of 117.0 in November. The index of industrial production component was down 0.3% in December, mainly due to declines in mining (-0.7%) and manufacturing (-0.4%). Output of utilities increased 0.2%.

The main contributors to the increase were retail trade, transportation, communication and storage, wholesale trade, construction and forestry. In retail trade, most of the increase was due to significant gains made by motor vehicle dealers (10.7%), department stores (4.9%) and food stores (3.6%). The transportation, communication and storage component increased 3.8%, almost entirely due to the resumption of national postal service in the first week of December. Increased residential and non-residential building activity accounted for a 1.6% growth in the construction industry component.

Fourth Quarter 1975

The adjusted index of real domestic product increased 0.7% in the fourth quarter of 1975 to a level of 117.0 from 116.2 in the third quarter. The adjusted index of industrial production increased 0.2% in the quarter.

Construction, retail trade, community, business and personal services and manufacturing were major contributors to the increase. In construction, both residential and non-residential construction accounted for a 6.0% gain. In retail trade, increases were widespread, with food stores (6.2%) and motor vehicle dealers (8.5%) contributing the most important increases. The retail trade increase was partly due to the anticipated resumption of Ontario's sales tax in motor vehicles, as well as the increase to 7% from 5% for other commodities at the end of December, 1975. In the community, business and personal services component, health and welfare services, services to business management, accommodation and food services and amusement and recreation services each recorded significant increases in the fourth quarter.

The manufacturing component recorded its first quarterly increase for 1975 during the fourth quarter. This increase was

due mainly to gains made in the wood products industries (8.6%), food and beverages industries (1.4%), textile industries (5.3%) and electrical products (2.1%). The paper and allied products industry continued to feel the effects of prolonged strikes, declining a further 10.9% in the quarter. The mines, quarries and oil wells component was down 2.1% due to declines in metal mines and mineral fuels.

Year 1975

In 1975, real domestic product declined 0.2% to 115.6 from 115.8 in 1974. The index of industrial production declined 4.8% for the same period. Goods-producing industries recorded a decline of 4.5% but service-producing industries increased 2.7%.

Among the goods-producing industries which declined, the most significant decreases were recorded by manufacturing (-5.1%), mining (-7.1%), construction (-2.4%) and agriculture (-1.6%). For the service-producing industries, increases were made in transportation, storage and communication (0.9%), finance, insurance and real estate (3.8%), community, business and personal services (3.9%) and public administration and defence (4.1%). Trade remained relatively unchanged during the year, with retail trade increasing 1.5% and wholesale trade declining 2.3%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R. W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 3-5)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 706.7 million feet board measure of lumber and ties in December compared to 500.0 million in December 1974. Production for all 1975 decreased to 7,469.0 million feet board measure from 8,785.5 million in 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oils and Fats

November 1975 — Advance Information Manufacturer's Sales

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975
	'000 lbs.					
Retail sales (20 lbs. or less)	20,838	23,095	5,602	5,312	5,522	5,932
Commercial sales (21-450 lbs.)	821	1,067	14,115	14,583	1,108	1,149
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers	14,484	14,026	1,261	3,433	2,704	6,352
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers	—	—	11,933	12,782	3,863	5,096

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

For further information, order November 1975 issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1975				% Change
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Real Domestic Product	100.000	116.4	116.0	117.0	118.1	1.0
Agriculture	3.371	80.8	80.3	83.1	83.5	0.5
Forestry	.715	95.7	76.4	70.0	85.1	21.6
Fishing and Trapping	.181	88.3	65.3	78.5	90.8	15.6
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	103.9	100.7	107.0	106.3	-0.7
Manufacturing industries	22.862	111.3	111.3	113.2	112.8	-0.4
Construction industry	6.990	108.0	108.7	112.3	114.1	1.6
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	125.1	124.0	121.6	126.2	3.8
Transportation	5.874	115.6	117.1	117.4	116.8	-0.5
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	157.0	160.8	161.8	161.5	-0.2
Railway transport	1.700	105.5	107.8	109.8	106.8	-2.7
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	139.7	134.6	126.4	139.3	10.2
Urban transit systems	.250	108.4	111.0	115.6	112.2	-2.9
Pipeline transport	.489	128.5	126.4	125.7	127.9	1.8
Storage	.258	112.2	104.9	102.3	98.5	-3.7
Grain elevators	.177	115.1	102.8	98.3	94.4	-4.0
Communication	2.964	144.9	139.2	131.6	147.3	11.9
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.6	130.9	128.9	129.2	0.2
Trade	11.367	119.8	119.2	120.3	125.0	3.9
Wholesale trade	4.509	120.8	116.2	115.8	119.0	2.7
Wholesale merchants	3.242	123.0	118.5	118.0	121.4	2.8
Retail trade	6.858	119.2	121.1	123.2	128.9	4.6
Food stores	1.368	103.5	107.5	110.7	114.7	3.6
General merchandise stores	1.562	127.9	131.8	128.6	132.8	3.3
Department stores	.927	139.4	145.8	140.1	146.9	4.9
Other general merchandise stores	.635	111.1	111.4	111.8	112.3	0.4
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	141.4	146.0	156.5	173.2	10.7
Clothing stores	.462	116.7	117.8	123.0	125.7	2.1
Hardware stores	.098	103.6	108.6	105.5	110.4	4.6
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	122.5	117.0	125.8	126.9	0.9
Drug stores	.290	113.0	114.9	119.5	127.1	6.4
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	123.8	123.5	123.9	124.4	0.4
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	121.0	121.2	121.5	121.4	-0.1
Education and related services	6.509	110.8	111.1	110.9	110.7	-0.2
Health and welfare service	5.272	127.0	127.1	127.6	128.0	0.3
Amusement and recreation services	.427	137.8	140.3	141.0	141.3	0.2
Services to business management	2.311	127.7	128.5	129.6	128.7	-0.7
Personal services	1.000	106.0	106.3	107.8	108.2	0.4
Accommodation and food services	2.799	129.0	127.6	127.8	127.8	—
Public administration and defence	7.388	120.1	120.3	120.6	120.4	-0.2
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	112.1	111.8	113.9	113.5	-0.3
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	117.6	117.2	118.2	119.3	1.0
Goods-producing industries	40.754	108.4	107.9	110.2	110.6	0.3
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	110.9	110.4	112.6	113.0	0.3
Service-producing industries	59.246	121.9	121.6	121.7	123.3	1.4
Commercial industries	81.341	116.5	116.0	117.2	118.7	1.2
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	118.1	117.6	118.7	120.2	1.3
Non-commercial industries	18.659	115.7	115.9	116.0	115.8	-0.2
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	107.9	107.5	109.8	109.1	-0.6
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	114.8	115.3	116.7	116.6	-0.1

Cigars, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of cigars for January amounted to 40.7 million compared to 50 million in January 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Service Bulletin* (32-022,

\$1.40 a year), or contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 weight	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	% Change
		1975				
Real Domestic Product	100.000	114.4	114.6	116.2	117.0	0.7
Agriculture	3.371	81.7	80.6	80.3	82.3	2.5
Forestry	.715	111.7	100.3	107.8	77.2	-28.4
Fishing and Trapping	.181	72.0	85.7	77.6	78.2	0.8
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.5	105.0	106.9	104.7	-2.1
Manufacturing industries	22.862	112.8	112.7	111.9	112.5	0.5
Construction industry	6.990	99.8	99.5	105.5	111.7	6.0
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	123.8	124.6	125.2	123.9	-1.0
Transportation	5.874	118.3	118.2	117.8	117.1	-0.6
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	163.0	158.5	158.5	161.4	1.8
Railway transport	1.700	115.0	113.2	110.7	108.1	-2.3
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	121.6	128.5	132.1	133.4	1.0
Urban transit systems	.250	116.4	118.6	110.1	112.9	2.6
Pipeline transport	.489	122.8	124.4	131.3	126.7	-3.6
Storage	.258	96.1	100.7	97.2	101.9	4.9
Grain elevators	.177	88.2	95.2	91.4	98.5	7.8
Communication	2.964	137.1	139.4	142.2	139.3	-2.0
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.9	129.5	129.1	129.7	0.4
Trade	11.387	115.6	115.6	119.2	121.5	1.9
Wholesale trade	4.509	114.5	116.2	119.0	117.0	-1.7
Wholesale merchants	3.242	115.4	117.4	120.8	119.3	-1.2
Retail trade	6.858	116.3	115.3	119.3	124.4	4.3
Food stores	1.368	104.2	105.6	104.5	111.0	6.2
General merchandise stores	1.562	122.6	123.7	129.6	131.1	1.1
Department stores	.927	131.6	136.0	142.8	144.3	1.1
Other general merchandise stores	.635	109.4	105.7	110.4	111.8	1.3
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	128.7	128.7	146.2	158.6	8.5
Clothing stores	.462	114.7	107.9	116.6	122.2	4.8
Hardware stores	.098	103.2	98.7	101.6	108.2	6.5
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	113.6	111.1	120.8	123.2	2.0
Drug stores	.290	114.0	109.7	113.0	120.5	6.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	120.2	121.3	123.1	124.0	0.7
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	116.8	118.2	120.3	121.4	0.9
Education and related services	6.509	109.4	109.6	110.8	110.9	0.1
Health and welfare service	5.272	122.2	124.3	126.7	127.6	0.7
Amusement and recreation services	.427	129.3	128.1	132.4	140.9	6.4
Services to business management	2.311	121.8	125.3	127.1	128.9	1.4
Personal services	1.000	106.2	106.1	106.0	107.4	1.3
Accommodation and food services	2.799	119.1	122.0	126.4	127.7	1.0
Public administration and defence	7.388	117.0	118.0	119.9	120.4	0.5
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	113.9	113.3	112.9	113.1	0.2
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	115.5	115.8	117.4	118.2	0.7
Goods-producing industries	40.754	108.6	107.9	108.7	109.5	0.8
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	111.0	110.3	111.2	112.0	0.7
Service-producing industries	59.246	118.4	119.3	121.3	122.2	0.7
Commercial industries	81.341	114.7	114.8	116.3	117.3	0.9
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	116.1	116.3	117.9	118.8	0.8
Non-commercial industries	18.659	113.0	113.8	115.6	115.9	0.2
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	112.1	111.1	109.1	108.8	-0.3
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	113.4	114.2	114.7	116.2	1.3

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Real Domestic Product	100.000	115.8	115.6	-0.2
Agriculture	3.371	82.9	81.6	-1.6
Forestry	.715	121.1	98.4	-18.7
Fishing and Trapping	.81	84.8	74.1	-12.6
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	114.3	106.2	-7.1
Manufacturing industries	22.862	118.5	112.4	-5.1
Construction industry	6.990	107.1	104.5	-2.4
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	123.4	124.5	0.9
Transportation	5.874	120.9	118.0	-2.4
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	155.1	161.2	3.9
Railway transport	1.700	121.0	111.7	-7.7
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	119.1	129.2	8.5
Urban transit systems	.250	110.7	114.6	3.5
Pipeline transport	.489	134.4	126.3	-6.0
Storage	.258	94.2	99.0	5.1
Grain elevators	.177	83.2	93.4	12.3
Communication	2.964	130.7	139.6	6.8
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.2	129.2	—
Trade	11.367	118.1	118.1	—
Wholesale trade	4.509	119.5	116.7	-2.3
Wholesale merchants	3.242	121.1	118.3	-2.3
Retail trade	6.858	117.2	118.9	1.5
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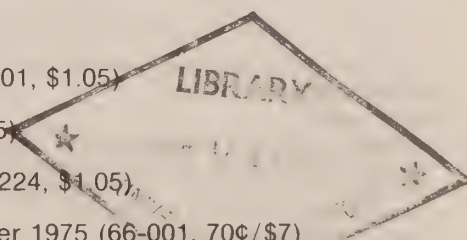
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Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6: No. 4, Monthly Telephone Statistics, December 1975; No. 5, Telecommunication Statistics, Third Quarter 1975

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 9, Plastic Film (Sheeting and Layflat) and Coated Products, 1974



Job Vacancies, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

Due to the postal strike last fall, the mail sample of the Job Vacancy Survey was drastically reduced. Consequently, it has been decided to publish only highly aggregated estimates for the fourth quarter 1974. These estimates should be used with caution because of their reduced reliability. Some unpublished data series are available to job vacancy data users on request.

For further information, contact J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006) or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Vacancies for Full-time Jobs, Canada and Region

	1975		1974
	Q.IV	Q.III	Q.IV
Canada	44,800	63,000	71,200
Atlantic Region	2,800	4,800	4,300
Quebec	10,000	17,700	17,400
Ontario	17,100	19,800	25,400
Prairie Region	11,700	16,400	19,100
Pacific Region	3,100	4,200	5,000

Vacancies for Full-time Jobs by Industries

	1975		1974
	Q IV	Q III	Q IV
All Industries*	44,800	63,000	71,200
Goods-producing	16,500	22,200	26,000
Forestry, mines, quarries and oil wells	1,100	2,300	3,700
Manufacturing	12,500	14,800	18,000
Construction	2,900	5,100	4,300
Service-producing	28,200	40,700	45,100
Transportation, communication and other utilities	2,300	2,800	4,200
Trade	7,800	10,100	10,500
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,400	4,000	4,200
Community, business and personal services	11,300	17,400	18,100
Public administration and defence	4,500	6,400	8,200

* Excluding agriculture, fishing and trapping and household.

Vacancies for Full-time Jobs by Selected Occupational Groups

	1975		1974
	Q IV	Q III	Q IV
All Occupations	44,800	63,000	71,200
White-collar	20,600	27,200	31,000
Managerial, administrative and related occupations	2,900	2,800	3,600
Occupations in natural sciences, engineering and mathematics	2,100	3,100	6,000
Occupations in social sciences, teaching and related	1,500	1,900	1,400
Occupations in medicine and health	2,500	3,900	3,900
Clerical and related occupations	7,500	10,200	10,400
Sales occupations	3,600	4,600	5,300
Other	600	600	500
Blue-collar	24,200	35,800	40,200
Service occupations	4,900	8,600	9,400
Forestry and logging occupations	200	500	700
Mining and quarrying, including oil and gas field occupations	400	1,100	1,300
Processing occupations	1,400	2,600	2,400
Machining and related occupations	2,600	2,200	4,900
Product fabricating, assembling and repairing occupations	8,000	10,400	11,300
Construction trade occupations	3,200	5,500	4,600
Transport equipment operating occupations	1,600	2,100	2,400
Materials handling and related occupations	1,000	1,600	1,600
Other	800	1,300	1,500

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.

Railway Carloadings, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Railways in Canada reported 264,061 cars and 16.2 million tons of freight loaded in January, decreases of 10.9% and 8.5%, respectively, from January 1975. Traffic from United States connections declined 10.3% to 1.7 million tons in the current month.

Commodities showing significant percentage decreases in tons loaded in January included pulpwood, down 79.7%, newsprint paper, down 61.1%, sulphur, down 44.6%, trail-on-flat-car traffic, down 41.5%, primary and manufactured iron and steel, down 36.2%, and wheat, down 30.3%. The volume of passenger automobiles moved by rail increased 80.4%. Coal movements rose 20.7% and iron ore shipments 11.5%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Computer Service Industry, 1974 — Advance Information.

In 1974 there were 345 companies in Canada primarily engaged in providing processing, software and system, maintenance, education and other computer-related services with total operating revenue reported at \$211.0 million. There were 56 working proprietors and 8,956 paid employees with salaries and wages of \$85.3 million.

Another 35 companies were primarily engaged in providing sales/lease or rental of hardware services with reported total operating revenue of \$612.0 million. Paid employees engaged by this group of companies totalled 9,462 with salaries and wages amounting to \$141.3 million.

In addition, an estimated \$100.1 million was reported by 381 companies and institutions classified to another major industry group such as manufacturing, education and finance. These companies and institutions were engaged in providing computer services to outside users as a secondary activity.

For further information, order the 1974 edition of *Computer Service Industry* (63-222, \$1.05), or contact Mr. E. Yablonski (613-996-9301), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 28, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended February 28 totalled 282,968 short tons (256 704 metric tonnes), a decrease of 0.4% from the preceding week's total of 284,108 short tons (257 738 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 286,191 tons (259 628 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 154.4 in the current week, 151.8 a week earlier and 156.2 one year ago.

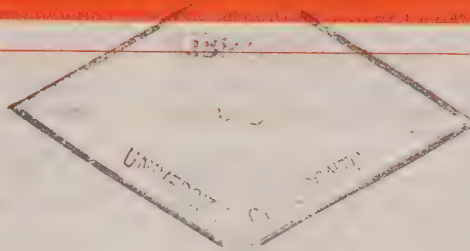
For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.



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Asphalt Roofing, December 1975 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, December 1975 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Selected Dairy By-Products (32-024, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 2, Production and Inventory of Process Cheese, January 1976

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Seasonally-adjusted Data, December 1975 — Advance Information.

The first estimate of the Canada industrial composite index of employment (1961=100) showed a rise of 1.6% from November to December. For the most part, this gain reflected the rise in employment in transportation, communication and other utilities following the resolution of industrial disputes in the post office. Employment also advanced in mining, trade and finance, insurance and real estate.

Average weekly earnings rose 0.7% at the Canada industrial composite level in December. Gains occurred in forestry, mining, manufacturing and service. The sharp decline in average weekly earnings in transportation, communication and other utilities mainly reflected the rise in employment in the post office, where earnings are below the industry division average. Average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage-earners declined in mining and increased in manufacturing while average hourly earnings advanced in both industry divisions.

Preliminary data for November showed a slight rise in employment at the national industrial composite level. Gains in mining, manufacturing, construction and finance, insurance and real estate were somewhat offset by declines in the remaining industry divisions. Six of the provinces recorded advances. Declines occurred in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Manitoba.

Average weekly earnings for the Canada industrial composite showed a rise of 1.1% from October to November. There were increases in all industry divisions except forestry, construction and finance, insurance and real estate. All five regions showed higher levels of average weekly earnings than in the preceding month. Compared with November 1974, average weekly earnings were up 13.6% at the Canada industrial composite level; this compares with gains of 13.4% in October and 12.7% in September. From October to November, average weekly hours rose slightly in construction and declined in mining and manufacturing. During the same period, average hourly earnings rose 13 cents in mining, 10 cents in manufacturing and four cents in construction.

Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for October and November will be published in the December issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on pages 3-5)

Asbestos, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Producer's shipments of asbestos increased to 122,187 short tons in January from 114,164 short tons in January 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Seasonally-adjusted Employment Indexes (1971=100), December 1975 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table presents seasonally-adjusted employment indexes with a 1971 base period for selected industries at the Canada level. These indexes have been arithmetically converted from 1961-based data contained in *Employment, Earnings and Hours*. The factors used to derive these seasonally-adjusted data are the same as those used for the 1961-based data.

For further information concerning these series contact Mr. G.L. Cohen (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see table on page 5)

Retail Trade, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales were \$4,736.3 million in December, an increase of 5.3% from \$4,498.5 million in November. There were increases in 23 of the 28 trade groups. Specialty shoe stores recorded the largest increase (30.2%) while household furniture stores recorded the largest decrease (-4.2%).

Nine of the provinces recorded increases in sales in December over November, ranging from 10.4% for Nova Scotia to 1.2% for Newfoundland. A 0.1% decrease was recorded in Alberta.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$5,769.5 million in December, an increase of 25.5% from December 1974. Sales increased in all 28 trade groups with the largest gains recorded by motor vehicle dealers (55.4%), automotive parts and accessories stores (38.9%) and sporting goods and accessories stores (38.4%). All provinces recorded increases in sales over December 1974, ranging from a high of 31.5% for Ontario to a low of 18.8% for Manitoba and British Columbia. Montreal sales increased 17.0%, Toronto 30.9%, Winnipeg 18.0% and Vancouver 12.2%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences for November, was \$4,701.4 million, an increase of 15.1% from November 1974.

For further information order the December issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. B. Theriault (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Department store sales were \$867.5 million in December, an increase of 18.2% from \$734.1 million in December 1974.

Sales rose in 30 of the 40 departments. The largest sales increases were for food and kindred products (58.6%), photographic equipment and supplies (40.4%) and millinery (39.9%). All provinces reported increased sales over December 1974, ranging from a high of 23.3% for Saskatchewan to 11.4% for Newfoundland. Montreal sales increased 24.1%, Toronto 20.7%, Winnipeg 15.8% and Vancouver 10.5%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data, December 1975

Industry Division and Area	Employment Index Numbers									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.
	1975f	1975p	1975p	1975p	1974	1974	1975f	1975p	1975p	1975p
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	58.3	70.5	81.1	81.5	84.3	94.9	62.1	66.6	71.4	69.3
Mining	115.7	116.5	113.3	110.1	115.4	116.7	117.8	116.8	114.0	110.4
Manufacturing	122.4	126.0	127.0	126.6	128.4	132.5	125.3	125.9	125.5	124.2
Durables	137.3	141.0	141.2	139.1	144.0	148.4	139.4	140.6	139.5	137.5
Non-durables	110.3	113.8	115.5	116.4	115.8	119.7	113.9	114.0	114.3	113.4
Construction	121.9	130.4	131.3	106.8	124.7	..	118.0	117.5	116.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	126.3	116.5	117.9	128.6	125.0	127.0	127.6	116.0	116.5	127.6
Trade	177.3	176.2	173.3	168.7	175.2	173.7	169.8	169.1	170.2	168.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	176.9	177.0	176.7	177.6	170.8	170.4	177.8	177.4	177.0	178.0
Service	224.6	233.4	237.3	239.9	220.3	227.0	235.4	236.8	237.2	236.1
Industrial Composite	139.7	141.0	142.1	143.3	141.4	145.1	142.1	139.8	139.7	140.5
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	130.6	134.3	138.4	141.3	131.2	137.3	135.3	132.6	134.0	135.0
Newfoundland	130.1	136.0	146.3	149.7	136.7	144.7	136.1	133.5	139.4	139.7
Prince Edward Island	142.8	146.0	157.7	163.1	139.0	149.5	150.6	142.7	148.3	149.2
Nova Scotia	129.3	130.7	131.4	128.8	127.6	132.9	132.1	129.4	129.0	124.8
New Brunswick	131.3	136.3	139.9	149.0	131.5	137.7	136.8	134.4	135.8	141.7
Quebec	126.8	128.9	130.3	132.3	127.8	132.2	129.3	127.4	127.2	129.2
Ontario	141.9	142.9	143.4	145.8	146.4	149.5	143.2	141.6	141.4	144.0
Prairie Region	150.8	151.0	152.4	154.2	145.6	148.0	154.1	150.8	150.6	151.1
Manitoba	127.7	129.9	132.8	133.9	129.6	132.6	130.1	129.1	130.7	131.3
Saskatchewan	140.7	137.9	138.0	141.6	132.3	134.8	144.3	137.2	136.0	138.1
Alberta	174.3	174.1	174.8	176.3	164.3	166.9	178.7	174.5	173.1	173.3
British Columbia	161.1	161.7	162.2	152.2	163.0	167.4	164.6	161.1	159.9	148.4
Yukon	181.9	190.7	203.6	181.6	186.2	..	183.2	187.3	196.2
Northwest Territories	150.3	151.0	163.5	146.0	150.6	..	159.2	151.8	146.9
Canada	139.7	141.0	142.1	143.3	141.4	145.1	142.1	139.8	139.7	140.5

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

January 1976 — Advance Information
(1961=100)

	% Change				
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975	Jan./76 Dec./75	Jan./76 Jan./75
Total Index	267.1	265.9	238.9	0.5	11.8
Materials	204.1	202.0	191.0	1.0	6.9
Steel and Metal Work	221.6	220.6	217.9	0.5	1.7
Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment ..	188.1	187.0	179.7	0.6	4.7
Electrical Equipment	149.8	147.6	151.9	1.5	-1.4
Concrete Products	219.4	209.4	197.6	4.8	11.0
Lumber and Lumber Products	242.3	242.1	215.1	0.1	12.6
Other	200.8	199.3	178.2	0.8	12.7
Labour	344.4	344.3	297.7	—	15.7

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Dec. 1975f	Nov. 1975p	Oct. 1975p	Sept. 1975p	Dec. 1974 dollars	Nov. 1974	Dec. 1975f	Nov. 1975p	Oct. 1975p	Sept. 1975p
Industry Division:										
Forestry	227.67	254.25	261.21	240.38	200.85	240.26	245.97	245.44	252.96	239.18
Mining	297.89	298.88	294.57	286.18	257.52	258.24	298.46	295.10	292.93	288.69
Manufacturing	221.33	224.63	222.76	218.32	192.61	197.76	226.26	223.11	220.27	216.89
Durables	234.92	240.82	239.42	234.69	202.61	211.01	242.86	239.03	235.39	230.90
Non-durables	207.61	208.36	206.25	202.45	182.53	184.42	210.32	207.63	205.76	203.57
Construction	311.83	315.09	310.53	238.28	266.43	..	305.54	307.05	300.84
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	240.64	249.80	245.42	233.84	215.12	212.14	239.85	250.17	245.47	234.45
Trade	164.61	163.55	163.45	161.88	146.78	146.02	166.06	166.34	164.52	162.64
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	198.85	197.58	198.19	195.06	179.46	175.94	199.65	199.78	200.29	197.75
Service	152.66	151.10	148.39	146.27	132.49	132.52	153.23	151.12	148.58	148.02
Industrial Composite	209.28	213.09	212.12	207.71	183.91	187.65	214.32	212.73	210.33	206.45
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	184.26	187.04	186.54	183.46	161.35	163.40	187.68	186.83	185.93	183.75
Newfoundland	197.27	203.15	204.48	199.42	172.24	177.84	203.85	203.35	202.04	197.48
Prince Edward Island	157.54	158.86	155.43	153.52	135.34	134.99
Nova Scotia	177.91	178.94	177.52	176.64	155.64	156.57	181.87	178.96	177.25	175.83
New Brunswick	186.03	188.67	187.72	183.10	162.06	164.21	186.05	187.67	188.97	186.53
Quebec	203.17	207.45	207.71	203.80	179.34	183.14	207.10	206.52	205.71	202.73
Ontario	210.84	215.47	213.76	209.66	186.29	190.13	216.49	215.53	211.98	208.14
Prairie Region	206.58	207.83	207.34	201.89	176.64	179.10	210.84	207.91	206.51	201.79
Manitoba	193.80	194.65	196.45	189.95	167.60	168.76	196.99	194.79	195.86	189.55
Saskatchewan	197.13	196.59	197.84	190.61	169.53	170.45	198.34	195.80	196.68	191.34
Alberta	217.55	219.72	217.34	213.19	184.96	188.83	223.06	220.03	216.17	212.98
British Columbia	236.88	240.79	239.33	234.60	208.08	214.46	242.88	239.31	236.12	231.91
Yukon	297.97	292.74	294.60	268.38	276.62
Northwest Territories	285.93	285.52	301.02	265.64	274.73
Canada	209.28	213.09	212.12	207.71	183.91	187.65	214.32	212.73	210.33	206.45

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of television sets were 45,630 colour sets in December and 5,285 black-and-white sets. A year earlier, sales were 40,103 and 6,685. Sales of record players were 11,488 compared to 12,714 one year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Salt, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine decreased to 664,541 short tons in January from 756,823 short tons a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian egg production declined 14.9% to 34.3 million dozen in January from 40.3 million a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 8.5% to 23.5 million from 25.7 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers decreased 7.0% to 1,753 from 1,885. Farm price of eggs sold for market was up 8.0% to 63.1¢ a dozen from 58.4¢.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact S.M. Ashraf (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings

Industry Division and Area

Unadjusted for seasonal variations Seasonally-adjusted

Dec. Nov. Oct. Sept. Dec. Nov. Dec. Nov. Oct. Sept.

1975f 1975p 1975p 1975p 1974 1974 1975f 1975p 1975p 1975p

number

Average Weekly Hours:

Canada:

Mining	38.4	40.6	40.8	39.5	39.8	41.2	38.9	39.9	40.4	39.6
Manufacturing	37.1	38.9	39.1	39.0	36.8	39.0	38.6	38.4	38.5	38.5
Durables	37.7	39.6	39.8	39.6	37.1	39.7	39.4	39.1	39.1	39.0
Non-durables	36.4	38.2	38.4	38.4	36.4	38.3	37.7	37.7	38.0	38.0
Construction	39.4	40.4	40.5	34.4	38.9	..	39.1	39.0	38.4
Building	38.0	38.2	38.1	33.5	37.3	..	37.3	37.0	36.6
Engineering	42.3	44.2	44.6	36.5	42.4	..	42.7	42.1	41.8
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	35.9	38.0	38.0	38.2	36.2	37.6	37.7	37.9	38.0	38.0
Quebec	37.0	39.4	39.8	39.6	36.9	39.6	38.8	38.7	39.1	39.0
Ontario	37.8	39.3	39.5	39.4	37.2	39.4	39.3	38.9	38.9	38.8
Prairie Region	36.1	37.4	37.7	37.4	36.1	38.0	36.9	36.9	37.2	37.2
British Columbia	35.3	36.4	36.3	35.3	34.9	36.6	36.3	35.9	36.1	35.3

dollars

Average Hourly Earnings:

Canada:

Mining	7.15	6.94	6.78	6.69	5.98	5.88	7.08	6.91	6.78	6.72
Manufacturing	5.39	5.30	5.23	5.13	4.71	4.66	5.37	5.31	5.21	5.14
Durables	5.71	5.70	5.64	5.55	4.98	4.97	5.74	5.71	5.60	5.52
Non durables	5.01	4.85	4.78	4.69	4.40	4.32	4.95	4.87	4.80	4.74
Construction	8.05	7.93	7.82	6.75	6.90	..	7.94	7.90	7.84
Building	8.12	8.04	8.00	6.91	7.05	..	8.01	8.00	7.99
Engineering	7.91	7.76	7.57	6.39	6.62	..	7.88	7.74	7.58
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	4.95	4.72	4.72	4.62	4.37	4.27	4.75	4.67	4.72	4.73
Quebec	4.87	4.74	4.70	4.69	4.19	4.15	4.85	4.75	4.71	4.71
Ontario	5.47	5.44	5.38	5.31	4.83	4.79	5.48	5.45	5.38	5.31
Prairie Region	5.50	5.39	5.36	5.24	4.66	4.66	5.52	5.40	5.33	5.22
British Columbia	7.03	6.88	6.73	6.54	6.19	6.12	6.98	6.86	6.68	6.50

.. figures not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Employment Indexes, Selected Industries, Canada

(1971=100)

(Seasonally-Adjusted)

Industry (1960 S.I.C.)	1971 percentage weights	1975			
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Industrial Composite	100.00	109.8	109.1	109.2	111.0
Forestry	1.21	87.9	90.5	84.3	78.6
Mining, including milling	3.16	96.1	99.3	101.7	102.6
Manufacturing	39.54	101.7	102.8	103.2	102.6
Durable Goods	19.14	104.2	105.6	106.5	105.6
Non-Durable Goods	20.39	99.4	100.2	100.0	99.9
Construction	5.85	100.3	101.4	101.9	..
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	16.01	111.2	101.6	101.1	111.3
Transportation	9.53	105.4	105.0	104.3	..
Storage	0.38	97.2	97.8	98.9	..
Communication	3.96	121.9	85.8	86.2	..
Electric Power, Gas and Water	2.15	116.5	117.4	117.7	..
Trade	17.58	119.6	120.7	119.8	120.4
Wholesale Trade	5.84	118.4	118.7	117.5	119.2
Retail Trade	11.73	120.1	121.7	121.0	121.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	6.65	122.2	121.7	121.8	122.2
Service	10.01	127.7	128.1	127.9	127.2
Recreational Services	1.04	129.3	128.4	128.3	..
Business Services	2.31	138.6	139.2	139.4	..
Personal Services	4.68	120.5	121.8	122.2	..

.. figures not available.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

February 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Feb. 27/76 This week	Feb. 20/76 Week ago	Jan. 30/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	112.8	111.5	105.7
Industrials	85	116.6	115.0	108.8
Foods	9	99.0	98.0	94.7
Alcoholic beverages	5	95.4	94.6	95.0
Textiles and clothing	3	141.5	138.5	135.6
Pulp and paper	7	159.1	158.1	142.6
Printing and publishing	5	137.0	135.9	139.3
Primary metals	4	129.6	130.1	118.7
Industrial mines	6	94.0	92.1	86.9
Metal fabricating	9	228.2	227.3	198.0
Non-metallic minerals	4	107.8	105.4	97.3
Petroleum	8	109.2	106.3	103.5
Chemicals	5	148.7	148.8	131.2
Construction	5	215.5	213.6	199.5
Trade	15	107.9	106.7	102.2
Utilities and services	28	91.8	91.5	87.2
Transportation	6	126.6	126.8	113.8
Pipelines	5	78.7	78.7	75.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	109.2	108.0	103.0
Telephone	4	92.5	91.9	89.6
Electric power	3	102.1	103.3	105.1
Gas distribution	5	71.4	70.6	68.3
Finances	21	126.1	124.2	118.3
Banks	8	129.7	127.4	121.9
Investment and loan	9	120.5	119.4	112.8
Insurance	4	102.4	102.9	94.0
Mining Index	17	108.1	105.1	97.2
Gold	9	174.7	166.7	154.7
Base metals	8	76.1	75.5	69.6
Uranium	2	226.8	228.0	217.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	103.3	101.6	96.2

For further information, order the February issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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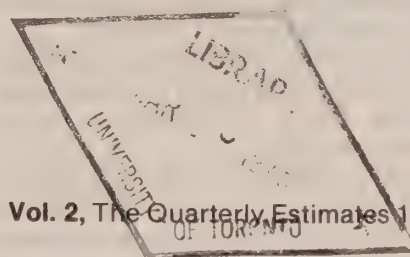
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Estimates of Labour Income, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Labour income, adjusted for seasonal variation, was estimated at \$7,580.4 million in December, an increase of 1.1% from the November estimate. The December estimate reflects the end of the postal strike. Wages and salaries in goods-producing industries advanced 1.3% and those in the service-producing industries 1.0%.

During the fourth quarter, labour income, adjusted for seasonal variation, advanced 1.6% compared to gains of 1.7%, 2.9% and 4.5% recorded during the first, second and third quarters, respectively. Wages and salaries in the goods-producing industries advanced 4.1% while those in the service-producing industries showed an increase of 0.1%. The third quarter estimates reflect the inclusion of lump-sum payments made to Quebec government employees.

Preliminary estimates indicate that labour income increased 14.0% during 1975 compared to gains of 16.9% in 1974 and 13.4% in 1973. In the goods-producing industries, wages and salaries advanced 10.0% in 1975. Those in the service-producing industries rose 16.3%.

Further details will be published in the December issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, 40¢/\$4), and additional information can be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, January 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for January show that 1.4 million United States visitors entered Canada, down 2.6% from January 1975. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.2 million, an increase of 11.6% over last year. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. increased 4.2% to 40,200 while Canadian travellers returning from countries other than the U.S. rose 23.7% to 197,200.

For further information, order the January issue of *International Travel, Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Farm Input Price Index, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

The farm input price index for Canada (1961=100) increased 2.0% in the fourth quarter of 1975, moving to 218.0 from a third-quarter figure of 213.8. The eastern index rose 1.4% to 217.4 from 214.5 and the western index rose 2.8% to 218.8 from 212.9. Compared with the closing period of 1974, the index was 6.8% higher in Canada — 4.2% in the East and 10.0% in the West.

Higher prices for hired farm labour, petroleum products, machinery and customer work were responsible for much of the increase in the fourth quarter index.

For further information, order the December issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50).

Motor Vehicle Shipments, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of passenger cars totalled 98,919 units in January compared to 64,658 units in January 1975. All commercial vehicles totalled 38,864 units compared to 27,372.

For further information, order the January issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,210 short tons (3 819 metric tonnes) or 9,394,571 square feet (872 784 square metres) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in January compared to 4,732 short tons (4 293 metric tonnes) or 9,476,896 square feet (880 432 square metres) in January 1975.

For further information, order *Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile — Service Bulletin* (47-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 28, 1976 — Correction.
In the *Daily March* 2 the production index for steel ingots for the week before the current week should read 155.1.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	(millions of dollars)			
	Dec. 1975f	Nov. 1975f	Oct. 1975p	Dec. 1974
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	45.3	53.3	65.4	37.1
Forestry	48.4	63.1	69.8	65.9
Mining	179.1	177.5	167.6	152.6
Manufacturing	1,615.7	1,643.1	1,640.9	1,501.5
Construction	523.4	628.2	685.4	453.2
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities ..	756.4	728.3	765.8	731.4
Trade	1,055.3	1,030.0	1,018.8	922.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	418.5	414.0	415.0	358.2
Service	1,707.4	1,720.6	1,716.5	1,617.3
Public Administration and Defence(1)	596.9	604.1	591.5	540.5
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	6,954.3	7,066.4	7,141.3	6,386.3
Supplementary Labour Income	443.5	459.6	470.9	402.3
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,397.9	7,525.9	7,612.2	6,788.6
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	62.3	61.3	60.3	50.9
Forestry	53.8	56.7	58.6	75.1
Mining	181.7	176.9	167.7	154.9
Manufacturing	1,647.7	1,630.7	1,605.9	1,532.1
Construction	624.3	613.0	613.4	542.6
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities ..	764.5	729.4	761.3	738.6
Trade	1,017.2	1,004.1	1,006.8	888.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	423.4	419.1	420.0	362.4
Service	1,694.2	1,688.8	1,683.1	1,609.2
Public Administration and Defence(1)	602.2	615.2	599.8	544.6
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	7,078.3	7,001.3	6,980.7	6,505.7
Supplementary Labour Income	502.1	497.6	496.7	461.0
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,580.4	7,498.9	7,477.4	6,966.7

f First estimates.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

(1) Excludes military pay and allowance.s.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

.. Not available.

Iron Ore, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian mines shipped 1,980,921 short tons of iron ore in January compared to 2,435,841 short tons in January 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 21, 1976 —
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The total number of carloads of revenue freight moved by railways in Canada in the seven days was 3.6% less than in 1975 and the railways carried 2.1% less tonnage. Loadings east of the Lakehead were down 3.2% to 2.2 million tons (2.0 million metric tonnes) while those in the West were down 0.9% at 1.9 million tons (1.8 million metric tonnes).

Piggyback traffic was down in both regions and registered an over-all 14.1% decline in national loadings.

In the year to date, rail freight loadings at 28.3 million tons (25.7 million metric tonnes) were 6.2% below the 1975 level.

Cumulative piggyback shipments were off 14.4% to 1.1 million tons (1.0 million metric tonnes).

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending January 14

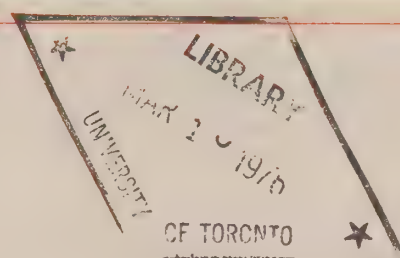
	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,205,015	1,943,367	4,148,382
Short tons, 1975	2,277,592	1,961,550	4,239,142
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 000 356	1 762 993	3 763 349
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 066 197	1 779 488	3 845 685
% change	-3.2	-0.9	-2.1
Cars, 1976	38,372	31,701	70,073
Cars, 1975	40,842	31,861	72,703
% change	-6.0	-0.5	-3.6
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	112,927	46,467	159,394
Short tons, 1975	135,365	50,259	185,624
Metric tonnes, 1976	102 446	42 154	144 600
Metric tonnes, 1975	122 801	45 594	168 395
% change	-16.6	-7.5	-14.1
Cars, 1976	3,869	2,050	5,919
Cars, 1975	4,677	2,460	7,137
% change	-17.3	-16.7	-17.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	14,645,249	13,677,255	28,322,504*
Short tons, 1975	16,220,773	13,961,435	30,182,208*
Metric tonnes, 1976	13 285 946	12 407 797	25 693 743
Metric tonnes, 1975	14 715 238	12 665 601	27 380 839
% change	-9.7	-2.0	-6.2
Cars, 1976	250,064	216,460	466,524*
Cars, 1975	283,883	223,611	507,494*
% change	-11.9	-3.2	-8.1
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	807,026	303,529	1,110,555*
Short tons, 1975	960,271	337,444	1,297,715*
Metric tonnes, 1976	732 122	275 357	1 007 479
Metric tonnes, 1975	871 143	306 124	1 177 267
% change	-16.0	-10.1	-14.4
Cars, 1976	27,127	13,137	40,264*
Cars, 1975	33,940	16,269	50,209*
% change	-20.1	-19.3	-19.8

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

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Wholesale Trade, December 1975 (63-008, \$1.50 a year)

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Dairy Factory Production, January 1976 (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Farm Wages in Canada, January 1976 (21-002, 35¢/\$1.05)

Service Bulletins:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 6, No. 6, Monthly Survey of Radio Broadcasting Stations, October 1975

Water Transport (54-003, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 6, No. 2, Commodity Movement Statistics — Preliminary, 3rd Quarter 1975



New Motor Vehicle Sales, January 1976 — Advance Information.

The number of new motor vehicles sold in January reached 70,241 units, down 4.6% from January 1975. This included 41,871 passenger cars (down 8.4%) and 19,290 commercial vehicles (up 2.6%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S. and 8,194 passenger cars (up 0.8%) and 886 commercial vehicles (down 8.2%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 11.0% to \$412.9 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$231.8 million (up 10.9%) and commercial vehicles for \$138.3 million (up 10.4%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 12.4% to \$38.6 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 19.5% to \$4.2 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 326 units of coaches and buses valued at \$6.9 million.

Seasonally-adjusted January sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. decreased 41.3% from December to 54,507 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 27.3% to 12,998 units. Similarly adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 22.7% to 24,040 units.

For further information, order the January issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Urban Transit, January 1976 — Advance Information.

In January, 37 urban transit systems collected 102,105,064 initial passenger fares. Their vehicles travelled 28,356,656 vehicle miles and operating revenues amounted to \$30,162,285.

For further information order the January issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Chief (613-996-9276), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Radio Air-Time Sales, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were reported at \$6.5 million for November, an increase of 18.2% over the \$5.5 million for November 1974. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$5.6 million, an increase of 18.9% over the \$4.7 million reported for November 1974.

Net local AM and FM radio air-time sales were reported at \$13.3 million, an increase of 4.3% over November 1974.

For further information, order *Communications Service Bulletin* (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian mills shipped 185,545,000 sq. ft. (3/8" basis) of softwood plywood in December, up from 120,085,000 sq. ft. in December 1974.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 31,670,000 sq. ft. surface measure for December, an increase of 127.0% over December 1974.

For further information, order the December issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production of Honey, 1975 — Advance Information.

The 1975 honey crop is estimated at 46.4 million pounds, a small increase over the 1974 total of 45.8 million pounds.

For further information, order the 1975 issue of *Honey Production* (23-007, 35¢), or contact Mr. G.O. Code (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Indexes

Figures for the fourth quarter 1975 and annual figures for 1975 are now available. For information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 a year), or contact Mr. R.J. Lowe (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, February 1976 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Consumer Credit, December 1975 (61-004, 30¢/\$3)

Asbestos, January 1976 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Salt, January 1976 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 1, Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, January 1976

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, January 1976: No. 1, Oil Filters and Cartridges; No. 2, Builders and Shelf Hardware; No. 3, Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 10, Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, Quarter Ended December 31, 1975

Electrical Products (43-007, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, 1974p: No. 30, Factory Shipments of Industrial Control Equipment; No. 31, Factory Shipments of Electrical Switchgear and Protective Equipment Except Telephone Switchboard

Gross National Product, Fourth Quarter and Annual 1975 — Preliminary Estimates.

The economic recovery continued in the fourth quarter of 1975 but at a substantially slower pace than that experienced in the early stages of previous upswings, as Gross National Product, seasonally adjusted at annual rates, increased 2.8% to \$161.9 billion. In real terms — that is, after adjustment for price changes — GNP increased 0.4%, well below what might be considered normal by historical standards for a post-recession period and also less than the rates of growth achieved in the second and third quarters.

Nevertheless, the fourth quarter displayed a number of characteristics typical of early recovery periods as increases in personal expenditure and residential construction supplied most of the real growth and imports grew faster than exports, leading to a deterioration in the trade balance. Heavy inventory liquidation continued, and again, this is usual early in recoveries; however, the very large volume of stocks accumulated in 1974 and late 1973, which probably acted to delay the start of the recession in Canada, now appears to be exerting a stronger than normal restraint on recovery. Real final domestic demand, which excludes the value of the physical change in inventories and exports of goods and services, was much stronger than real GNP and increased 1.6%.

The fourth quarter weakness was reflected by a very moderate 1.6% increase in wages, salaries and supplementary labour income, which is by far the largest component of GNP. This rate of increase is considerably less than the average rate of growth in labour income through the recession and in fact, represents the lowest rate of increase since the second quarter of 1970. However, to some extent this weakness is misleading, since it follows the payment of large cost-of-living allowances in the third quarter. These payments had the effect of raising the third-quarter growth rate at the expense of the fourth, and, if they were excluded, the fourth quarter growth would have been a much more normal 3.5%. The rise in labour income was concentrated in the goods-producing industries. Income in the service-producing industries was virtually unchanged and was almost entirely a result of an increase in average earnings rather than employment. In terms of the distribution of GNP, labour income's share fell slightly.

Profit's share of GNP also declined very slightly in the fourth quarter, as corporation profits before taxes grew 1.9% to \$18.6 billion. Increases in most major industrial groups were marginal; within manufacturing, the largest gains occurred in wood, printing and publishing, metal fabricating and non-metallic minerals. Of the non-manufacturing industries, communications and utilities recorded the largest increases. Corporate retained earnings were unchanged from the third quarter.

Accrued net income of farm operators from farm production was the only income component to decline in the fourth quarter, falling by over 20% to \$3.3 billion. Much of this decline was due to a drop in the accrued value of crop production and net income received by farm operators increased by 4.7%. Net income of non-farm unincorporated business grew by a very strong 5.2% as there were large increases in the income of small retailers and unincorporated construction companies and a somewhat smaller percentage increase in rents. There was also a substantial fourth-quarter rise in interest and miscellaneous investment income. Together with a 2.8% increase in government transfers to persons, the growth in these sources of income partially compensated for the weakness in wages and salaries and resulted in an increase of 2.3% in personal income. As transfers to government decreased as a result of lower income tax collections, personal disposable income grew 3.2% to \$108.0 billion. This increase was accompanied by a 3.9% rise in expenditure on consumer goods and services,

which reached a level of \$97.5 billion in the fourth quarter. Because consumption grew faster than income, personal saving fell to 8.0% of personal disposable income from 8.6% in the third quarter.

The largest increases in personal expenditure occurred in spending on durables and non-durables, which grew by 6.9% and 5.5%, respectively. The growth in durables was largely a result of strong demand for automobiles and more moderate demand for household appliances (which no doubt reflects the large growth in residential construction in the last half of 1975), while the increase in non-durables was broadly based but was particularly strong in food. Expenditure on services grew by 2.6% and on semi-durables, coming off a very strong third quarter, by 0.3%. In real terms, total consumption increased 1.7% and the relative performance of the individual components was similar to the current dollar pattern. Spending on semi-durables declined 0.7%, expenditure on services was unchanged, and durable and non-durable spending increased 4.9% and 3.2%, respectively.

Total gross fixed capital formation in the fourth quarter was \$39.9 billion, an increase of 5.0% from the third quarter level. In real terms, investment increased 1.6%. All of the real growth occurred in the business sector. By far the largest increase was in the extremely volatile residential construction component, recovering from a decline of over 25% from its second quarter 1974 peak. The fourth-quarter rise of 12.7%, the third increase in a row, contributed about a third of the total growth in real final domestic demand and left residential construction only slightly below its previous high. Business real investment in plant and equipment fell by a marginal 1.1%, roughly equal to the third-quarter increase. Business non-residential investment grew 4.4%, while investment in machinery and equipment fell 5.5% as both domestic shipments and imports declined.

Inventory liquidation increased in the fourth quarter, as the value of the physical change in inventories declined to 42.7% billion from -\$2.1 billion in the third. The major portion of the fourth-quarter liquidation occurred in business non-farm inventories. Of this, \$0.3 billion (that is, value of physical change of -\$0.3 billion) came in retail trade and a further \$1.5 billion in wholesale trade. The value of the physical change in manufacturing inventories was virtually zero following a large third-quarter inventory liquidation. But within manufacturing, there was an accumulation of about \$0.3 billion in non-durable inventories and roughly equal decline in inventories of durable goods. In constant dollar terms, the value of physical change in the fourth quarter was -\$1.8 billion compared with -\$1.1 billion in the third quarter.

Total exports of goods and services grew 3.4% in the fourth quarter. The largest increase occurred in merchandise exports — particularly in wheat, crude petroleum and natural gas. Decreases in imports of a large number of commodities were more than offset by increases in coal, textiles, chemicals and motor vehicles as total imports increased 3.3%; merchandise imports increased in real terms for the first time since the third quarter of 1974. Because imports increased more than exports, the balance of trade in goods and services worsened to a deficit of \$5.7 billion at annual rates. An improvement on the goods account was offset by a deterioration of \$0.7 billion in the service deficit.

Government current expenditure on goods and services declined 1.2%, in part reflecting the payment of cost-of-living allowances in the third quarter. Total expenditures of all levels of government (excluding inter-government transfers) increased by a marginal 1.1%, the smallest increase in several years. Total government revenues increased at about the same rate, and as a result the government deficit on a National Accounts basis was unchanged at approximately

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\$5.1 billion at annual rates. Personal income tax collections declined, possibly as a result of the postal strike, while indirect taxes less subsidies grew by 5.6%.

Prices decelerated slightly in the fourth quarter, as the implicit Gross National Expenditure price index slowed to a 2.5% increase from 2.9% in the previous quarter. The decline in the rate of change was even more noticeable in the final domestic demand implicit index — the price index most representative of the cost of goods and services purchased by Canadians — which increased by a moderate 1.5% compared with 3.1% in the third quarter, and the implicit indices for government current expenditure and imports of goods and services declined 2.2% and 1.0%, respectively. The personal expenditure implicit index increased by 2.1%, the largest increase occurring in services and the smallest in semi-durables. The strong 12.7% increase in real output in residential construction in the fourth quarter was accompanied by a mild quarterly rate increase in prices of 0.4%.

Annual Review 1975

Gross National Product in 1975 was \$154.8 billion, an increase of 9.9% from 1974. However, this growth includes an increase in prices of over 9.5%. The recession that began in 1974 bottomed out early in 1975 but, because the subsequent recovery proved to be relatively weak, the total level of real output in the economy increased by a mere 0.2%. The performances of individual expenditure aggregates reflected the basic recessionary character of the year: investment in residential construction and exports of goods and services both declined in real terms in 1975, there was a dramatic swing in inventories of more than \$2.8 billion and personal expenditure on consumer goods and services recorded its smallest real growth since 1970.

There was a modest increase in the current dollar value of exports, but this was outweighed by a substantial increase in imports and the balance of trade in goods and services worsened by \$3.3 billion. The slight increase in real Gross National Expenditure was accompanied by a significant deceleration in prices but the Gross National Expenditure implicit price index nevertheless increased by 9.7%.

Current dollar expenditure on consumer goods and services grew 14.8% in 1975 but this represents an increase of only 3.7% in real terms. For the year, the largest real increase in both absolute and percentage terms was in expenditure on semi-durable goods, which grew 7.3%. This increase was accompanied by a relatively modest price increase of 5.9%. Expenditure on durables was also fairly strong, growing 14.8% in current dollars and 5.7% in real terms, as spending on new and used automobiles rose 20.6%. Spending on services and non-durable goods increased 14.7% and 15.6%, respectively, in current dollars, but by only 2.2% and 2.8% in real terms. There were large price increases during the year in both of these categories.

Total gross fixed capital formation grew to \$37.3 billion, an increase of 13.5%. This is a considerable slowdown from the increases of the previous two years. In real terms, capital formation grew only 1.6%. The weakness was concentrated in residential construction which declined by 10.7% in real terms as a result of a precipitous drop in housing starts in late 1974 and early 1975. There was a significant shift in the composition of residential construction during the year, as starts of duplexes and row housing increased 40% while single detached housing starts rose only 1.5% and apartment starts declined 4.9%. Business investment in plant and equipment grew 4.7% in constant dollars, as non-residential construction increased 7.4% and investment in machinery and equipment 2.5%. Within non-residential construction, the increase was stronger in engineering (construction of highways, pipelines, utilities, etc.) than in building construction.

Investment in inventories swung from an accumulation of \$2.7 billion in 1974 to a decline of \$0.8 billion in 1975, all of

which took place in business non-farm inventories. There was strong liquidation in both manufacturing and wholesale trade after accumulations in 1974, and in both sectors the run-down was largely in durable goods. Retail trade was virtually flat for the year (close to zero value of physical change) after an accumulation of approximately \$0.2 billion in 1974.

The external sector was one of the major sources of weakness in 1975. Exports rose 3.0% while imports were up 11.0%, resulting in a \$3.3 billion deterioration in the trade balance to a record deficit of \$5.5 billion. The traditional deficit on service transactions worsened by \$1.0 billion, but the change in merchandise trade from a surplus of \$1.5 billion in 1974 to a deficit of \$0.8 billion accounted for about 70% of the over-all swing in the trade balance. The increase in exports was due to a very large increase in natural gas exports, plus substantial increases in iron ore, coal, agricultural and industrial machinery, and motor vehicles and parts, while the rise in imports was accounted for by increases in energy goods, notably petroleum, and by strong increases in machinery and equipment and motor vehicles and parts. On the service account, the deterioration resulted from a larger travel deficit and higher interest and dividend payments abroad.

Total revenue of all levels of government (excluding intergovernment transfers) rose 7.7% in 1975, the lowest rate of increase in several years. All major tax categories showed considerably lower rates of growth than in 1974, reflecting both lower tax rates and the slowdown in business activity. On the other hand, total government expenditures continued the strong growth of the previous year, although at a slightly lower rate, and increased 20.0%. Outlays on goods and services rose about 16%, as wage and salary payments, which account for over 50% of total government expenditure on goods and services, increased about 18%. Transfer payments to persons grew 23% with higher unemployment benefits an important factor in the increase. Thus, with expenditure rising more rapidly than revenues, the government sector as a whole registered a deficit, on a national accounts basis, or \$4.6 billion in 1975, the first large deficit since the early 1960s.

Labour income rose 14.0% in 1975 compared with an increase of 16.9% in 1974. A major factor in the lower rate of growth was the effect of larger lay-offs and more man-days lost in industrial disputes. There were only marginal increases in employment during 1975 and most of the increase in labour income reflected higher average earnings. Wages and salaries in the goods-producing industries increased 10.0% compared with 14.0% in 1974, as the industries in this group were particularly affected by strikes and layoffs. Wages and salaries in the service-producing industries rose 16.3% after a 17.7% increase the year before, with a slower rate of employment growth the major reason for the deceleration.

Corporation profits before taxes fell 2.9% in 1975, the first decline since 1970 and only the second in 15 years. It follows four years of substantial increases. Profits in both mining and manufacturing decreased while profits in trade were virtually unchanged and finance profits increased substantially.

Accrued net income of farm operators was unchanged over the year, with an 8% increase in gross income being offset by higher operating costs. The value of grain production was up about 10%, due mainly to larger crop production, but the value of livestock production declined marginally. Net income of non-farm unincorporated business was up 9%, the largest increases occurring in retail trade and community and personal services.

The shares of GNP held by labour income and profits followed their normal cyclical patterns and reflected the marginal increase in real output in 1975, as labour's share

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rose to 56.0% from 53.9% the year before and profits' share fell to 11.5% from 13.0%. Farm income's share of GNP fell slightly, while that of non-farm unincorporated business was unchanged.

Some price deceleration was evident in 1975, as the Gross National Expenditure implicit price index increased 9.7% compared with 13.8% in 1974 and the increase in the final domestic demand index fell to 10.9% from 11.9% in 1974. However, the indices for personal expenditure and gross fixed capital formation both showed larger increases than the Gross National Expenditure index because of the influence of import prices, which were up 13.9%. The implicit price indices for personal expenditure on services and non-durable goods both increased at relatively high rates, growing 12.2% and 12.4%, respectively, while durables and semi-durables rose at more moderate 8.5% and 5.9% rates. Over-all, the implicit price index for personal expenditure increased 10.7%. The index for total fixed capital formation grew 11.7%; the rate of change of prices declined in both the public and private sectors for every major class of construction.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), 1976 —
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The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available.

The following observations apply:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Revenue vehicle miles run in a revenue service includes miles run empty which were necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9276), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural) 1976

	January
Carriers Reporting*	Number 19
Revenue Earned:	Dollars
Intercity & Rural Services**	7,913,067
Urban-Suburban Services	23,151
Other Services (e.g. charter)	733,557
Fare Passengers Carried	Number
Intercity & Rural Services**	2,453,010
Urban-Suburban Services	59,075
Other Services (e.g. charter)	46,398
Vehicle Miles	Number
Intercity & Rural Services**	8,614,280
Urban-Suburban Services	34,757
Other Services (e.g. charter)	739,701
Fuel Consumed	Gallons
Diesel Oil	1,439,841
Gasoline	

* Data for one passenger bus carrier were not available at the time of this release.

** Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

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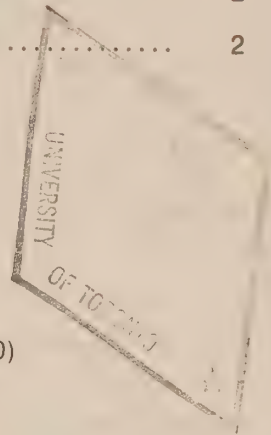
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Building Permits, December 1975 — Advance Information.

	Total number of dwelling units	Value of residential and non-residential construction				Total
		Residen- tail	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$'000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	
Newfoundland	23	467	1,935	121	2	2,525
Prince Edward Island	42	1,022	415	499	3	1,939
Nova Scotia	996	18,828	275	10,430	3,724	33,257
New Brunswick	275	5,488	243	1,104	8,336	15,171
Quebec	4,267	80,375	27,813	25,395	20,363	153,946
Ontario	5,808	148,755	20,964	99,426	86,108	355,253
Manitoba	383	8,243	872	2,840	1,087	13,042
Saskatchewan	541	12,596	330	9,816	713	23,455
Alberta	2,405	60,674	4,257	42,903	8,295	116,129
British Columbia	2,682	69,502	11,741	28,730	5,655	115,628
Yukon	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northwest Territories	1	41	—	3	—	44
Canada — Unadjusted	17,423	405,991	68,845	221,267	134,286	830,389
Canada — Adjusted	N/A	570,524	86,707	211,328	152,028	1,020,587
Metropolitan Areas	12,946	297,496	54,621	174,455	101,397	627,969
Calgary	822	17,843	181	25,133	1,522	44,679
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	77	1,777	239	381	89	2,486
Edmonton	763	21,103	1,649	7,293	2,798	32,843
Halifax	771	14,350	77	9,398	1,330	25,155
Hamilton	1,209	23,334	770	1,304	6,883	32,291
Hull	25	887	7,667	854	4,990	14,398
Kitchener	541	12,206	829	1,428	598	15,061
London	447	8,428	340	4,878	531	14,177
Montreal	3,045	55,999	16,349	9,935	5,379	87,662
Ottawa	388	10,710	41	4,565	44,027	59,343
Quebec	442	8,512	117	3,157	1,645	13,431
Regina	148	3,897	20	6,977	676	11,570
St. Catharines-Niagara	208	5,757	425	1,022	2,969	10,173
Saint-John	114	1,944	55	145	5,924	8,068
St. John's	17	337	1,000	75	2	1,414
Saskatoon	92	2,108	146	353	—	2,607
Sudbury	11	398	108	1,581	158	2,245
Thunder Bay	28	808	210	629	1,858	3,505
Toronto	1,352	45,757	8,566	66,264	13,717	134,304
Vancouver	985	27,518	10,573	16,739	2,888	57,718
Victoria	983	23,867	143	5,947	883	30,840
Windsor	179	3,938	4,227	4,513	1,452	14,180
Winnipeg	299	6,018	839	1,884	1,078	9,819

Preliminary figures.

For further information order *Building Permits, December 1975* (64-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 6, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended March 6 totalled 266,559 short tons (241 818 metric tonnes), a decrease of 5.8% from the preceding week's total of 282,968 short tons (256 704 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 280,731 tons (254 675 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 145.5 in the current week, 154.4 a week earlier and 153.2 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Industrial Chemicals, January 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers shipped 41,700,765 pounds (18 915 149 kilograms) of polyethylene type synthetic resins in January compared to 40,854,819 pounds (18 531 434 kilograms) in January 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Radio and Television Receiving Sets (Including Record Players and Selected Components), December 1975 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, December 1975 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

Footwear Statistics, December 1975 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, November 1975 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, December 1975 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

Fisheries Statistics Quebec, 1974 (24-206, \$1.05)

Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 5/76 This week	Feb. 27/76 Week ago	Feb. 6/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index		110.9	112.8	107.8
Industrials		114.9	116.6	110.8
Foods		98.7	99.0	96.0
Alcoholic beverages		93.9	95.4	94.6
Textiles and clothing		140.5	141.5	137.6
Pulp and paper		156.5	159.1	147.0
Printing and publishing		136.0	137.0	139.9
Primary metals		125.8	129.6	121.8
Industrial mines		93.1	94.0	89.6
Metal fabricating		233.4	228.2	203.1
Non-metallic minerals		110.9	107.8	96.6
Petroleum		105.9	109.2	104.0
Chemicals		148.9	148.7	140.6
Construction		210.8	215.5	204.9
Trade		105.7	107.9	103.4
Utilities and services		90.5	91.8	88.9
Transportation		123.9	126.6	115.4
Pipelines		78.0	78.7	78.9
Radio and TV broadcasting		109.2	109.2	104.6
Telephone		91.2	92.5	90.0
Electric power		101.2	102.1	104.2
Gas distribution		69.7	71.4	70.2
Finances		122.1	126.1	121.1
Banks		124.4	129.7	124.9
Investment and loan		119.3	120.5	114.7
Insurance		103.0	102.4	97.9
Mining Index		109.9	108.1	101.8
Gold		180.9	174.7	163.9
Base metals		76.0	76.1	72.1
Uraniums		220.7	226.8	224.2
Primary oils and gas index		102.3	103.3	97.0

For further information, order the March issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Import and Export Price Volume Indexes, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Despite significant increases in December in the import and export price indexes, the rate of increase measured by the three-month moving average on a year-over-year basis continued to decline.

Seasonally-adjusted import volume has remained stable at a level of about 143 (1971=100) for the last three months. Adjusted export volume declined in December but the rate of decline continued to fall on a year-over-year basis.

For further information, order the January issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

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Diesel and Natural Gas Engine Sales Survey, 1974 — Advance Information.

Total diesel engine sales for 1974 reached 38,733 units, 24,515 sold on the domestic market.

For further information order the 1974 issue of *Diesel and Natural Gas Engine Sales Survey* (63-221, \$1.05), or contact Mr. Y. Lebel (613-996-9307), Chief, Wholesale Trade Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 31, 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January were valued at \$57.0 million, an increase of 30.4% above the January 1975 figure of \$43.7 million. Repair parts for the same period had a value of \$9.6 million.

For further information, order the January issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Y. Lebel (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Export and Import Price and Volume Indexes**Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities**

Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation

(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975		
October	153.1	172.4
November	154.3	174.9
December	160.0	178.5

Change from same period*		
12 months earlier	%	%

1975		
July	117.2	108.6
August	115.0	106.8
September	112.7	106.4
October	110.1	105.7
November	106.2	106.4
December	105.5	105.5

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices

Seasonally Adjusted

(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975		
October	142.5	114.4
November	143.0	112.7
December	142.4	108.5

Change from same period*		
same months earlier	%	%

1975		
July	-7.6	-5.6
August	-6.7	-9.1
September	-8.9	-9.5
October	-6.0	-9.8
November	-3.7	-7.0
December	-4.2	-4.6

*Three-month moving average ending in month indicated.

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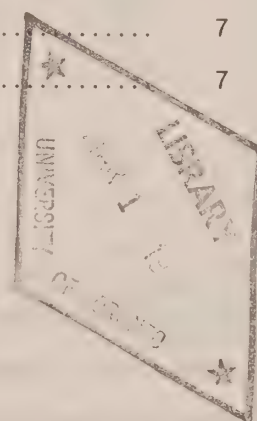
Merchandising Inventories, November 1975 (63-014, 40¢/\$4)

Sales Financing, December 1975 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Department Store Sales and Stocks, November 1975 (63-002, 40¢/\$4)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1961=100), December 1975
(62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs, January 1, 1976 (23-005, \$1.40 a year)



Consumer Price Movements, February 1976.

The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 0.3% to 145.6 in February from 145.1 in January. Higher charges for both owned and rented accommodation and increased prices for clothing and transportation were the main contributors to the latest monthly rise. The food index declined for the third successive month, the latest decrease being 0.3%, while the index for all items excluding food advanced 0.7%. Between February 1975 and February 1976, the total CPI advanced 9.1%, its smallest 12-month increase in more than two years.

The latest monthly decrease in the food index was again largely due to lower meat prices, in particular those for beef which, on average, declined nearly 5%. Pork prices also dipped almost 1%. Price levels continued to decline for fats and oils items, down nearly 10% on average from a year ago. Some dairy products, other than fluid milk, also moved down in price. Partially offsetting these decreases were higher quotations for fresh produce, for some cereal and bakery products and for soft drinks consumed at home. Largely as a result of successive declines in the latest three months, the food-at-home index in February showed its lowest year-to-year movement in nearly four years, standing 6.5% above its level of 12 months earlier.

Generally higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation, coupled with increased electricity

and domestic gas rates in many Ontario cities, accounted for much of the 0.7% rise in the index for all items excluding food. Higher insurance charges for automobiles, dwellings and household effects also had a notable impact. Prices for both women's and men's outer wear items advanced noticeably, as did barber and hairdressing charges.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of total goods, including food, remained unchanged in the latest month while that for services increased 1.0%. Between February 1975 and February 1976, the price level of services increased 12.2%, outstripping that for goods, which advanced 7.4%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 0.3% from January to February. This included a 0.8% decline in the food index and a 0.7% increase in the index of all items excluding food.

In February, the current annual rate of change in the CPI, based on the seasonally-adjusted movement since three months earlier, was 4.5%, a rate considerably lower than those recorded in recent years.

(see table below and on page 3)

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes		% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1976		1975		February 1976 from	
		Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975
All items	100	145.6	145.1	133.4	0.3	9.1	100
Food	28	166.3	166.8	155.3	-0.3	7.1	22
All items excluding food	72	138.4	137.5	125.9	0.7	9.9	78
Housing	32	143.3	142.1	128.5	0.8	11.5	40
Clothing	10	128.9	128.0	122.7	0.7	5.1	5
Transportation	14	139.0	138.4	123.3	0.4	12.7	20
Health and personal care	4	140.7	139.1	127.8	1.2	10.1	5
Recreation, education and reading	6	133.0	132.6	124.1	0.3	7.2	5
Tobacco and alcohol	6	128.5	128.3	121.5	0.2	5.8	3
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	—	0.69	0.69	0.75			
All items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100							194.2

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1975.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All-items		Food		All-items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted
1973						
May.....	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8
June.....	0.9	0.7	1.9	1.6	0.6	0.5
July.....	0.9	0.5	1.9	0.9	0.5	0.3
August.....	1.3	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.5	0.6
September.....	0.6	1.0	0.9	2.0	0.5	0.6
October.....	0.3	0.5	-0.3	0.6	0.6	0.4
November.....	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.6	0.5	0.7
December.....	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7
1974						
January.....	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.5
February.....	1.0	1.1	2.3	1.9	0.5	0.8
March.....	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.5	0.8	0.7
April.....	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.0	1.0	1.0
May.....	1.6	1.6	2.9	2.8	1.2	1.1
June.....	1.3	1.1	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.3
July.....	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.5
August.....	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.2	0.8	0.9
September.....	0.6	0.9	0.4	1.4	0.6	0.7
October.....	0.9	1.2	1.4	2.3	0.7	0.7
November.....	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.1
December.....	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.6	0.8	0.9
1975						
January.....	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.6
February.....	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.8
March.....	0.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	0.9	0.8
April.....	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6
May.....	0.8	0.7	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.5
June.....	1.5	1.4	3.2	3.0	0.8	0.8
July.....	1.4	1.0	2.3	1.2	1.0	0.9
August.....	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.9
September.....	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.2	0.7	0.8
October.....	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.4	1.1	1.0
November.....	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.0
December.....	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.6
1976						
January.....	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.4	0.8	0.9
February.....	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.8	0.7	0.7

(1) For some elaboration of methodology, see technical notes of this release.

Canadian Direct Investment Abroad, 1973 — Advance Information.

Canada's direct investment abroad in subsidiaries, affiliates and branches amounted to \$7,810 million at the end of 1973, an increase of 16% over 1972. In absolute terms the \$1,104 million addition to the book value of direct investment abroad was the largest ever recorded.

Direct investment in the United States increased 14% to \$3,924 million to account for just over half of Canadian investment abroad. Almost two-thirds of this growth was due to investment in mining and petroleum. The figures for all other North American country categories also showed increases, with direct investment in Bermuda jumping 36% to \$351 million mainly as a result of investment in transportation and marketing subsidiaries.

Direct investment in South and Central America rose strongly by \$109 million to \$917 million.

Direct investment in the United Kingdom rose \$167 million to \$797 million in 1973, the largest increase for countries in the European Economic Community group. Direct investment in France rose \$28 million to \$116 million and in Ireland by \$24 million to \$75 million.

Canadian direct investment in the Afro-Asian countries increased to \$320 million from \$270 million, with virtually all the growth in developing countries, particularly Indonesia (mainly in mining) and the Philippines.

Canadian investment in Australia registered a 14% gain to \$385 million.

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Canadian direct investment in manufacturing continued to represent the largest industrial component with \$3,919 million or 50% of the total. This sector grew \$28 million during 1973. The largest addition, \$446 million, however, was recorded in mining and petroleum. Direct investment in the latter sector at \$1,484 million ranked second to manufacturing, surpassing utilities which increased more moderately to \$1,267 million. Direct investment in these three industrial categories accounted for 85% of total Canadian direct investment abroad in 1973.

For further information, contact B. Mersereau (613-996-2545), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

(see table below and on page 5)

Canadian Direct Investment Abroad by Location of Investment

Year Ends 1970-1973

Location	1970	1971r	1972r	1973
(\$ millions)				
North America (including Caribbean):				
United States	3,262	3,399	3,431	3,924
Mexico	45	50	46	54
Bahamas	151	143	160	178
Bermuda	136	190	258	351
Jamaica	109	113	110	114
Other	56	65	75	102
Sub-total	3,759	3,960	4,080	4,723
South and Central America	820	827	808	917
Europe:				
United Kingdom	586	590	630	797
*European Economic Community (excluding U.K.):				
Belgium and Luxembourg	43	35	31	33
France	88	87	88	116
Italy	53	46	44	36
Netherlands	34	34	40	41
West Germany	77	87	101	108
Sub-total	295	289	304	..
Denmark	24
Ireland	43	47	51	75
Sub-total	433
Switzerland	30	36	50	65
Other	121	131	144	134
Sub-total	1,075	1,093	1,179	1,429
Africa:				
Republic of South Africa	73	111	106	105
Other	61	76	6	20
Sub-total	134	187	112	125
Asia:				
Japan	48	58	71	72
Other	86	94	87	123
Sub-total	134	152	158	195
Australasia:				
Australia	246	299	338	385
Other	20	20	31	36
Sub-total	266	319	369	421
Total	6,188	6,538	6,706	7,810
Developed Countries	4,686	4,951	5,130	5,919
Developing Countries	1,502	1,587	1,576	1,891

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* Effective January 1, 1973, Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom became members of the European Economic Community.

Canadian Direct Investment Abroad by Industry and Location

Year Ends 1970-1973

Industry and Location	1970	1971r	1972r	1973
(\$ millions)				
Located in United States:				
Manufacturing	1,870	1,977	2,093	2,136
Merchandising	145	140	125	180
Mining and Petroleum	504	560	623	944
Utilities	469	465	404	427
Other	274	257	186	240
Total	3,262	3,399	3,431	3,924
Located in United Kingdom:				
Manufacturing	479	504	518	609
Merchandising	39	38	33	57
Mining and Petroleum	13	14	29	34
Utilities	13	10	17	14
Other	42	24	33	83
Total	586	590	630	797
Located in Other Commonwealth Countries:				
Manufacturing	256	290	323	365
Merchandising	64	69	91	110
Mining and Petroleum	167	152	140	207
Utilities	105	154	219	257
Other	199	178	192	221
Total	791	843	965	1,160
Located in All Other Countries:				
Manufacturing	602	674	697	812
Merchandising	30	26	31	29
Mining and Petroleum	186	214	246	299
Utilities	638	654	543	569
Other	93	138	163	220
Total	1,549	1,706	1,680	1,929
Located in All Countries:				
Manufacturing	3,207	3,445	3,631	3,919
Merchandising	278	273	280	376
Mining and Petroleum	870	940	1,038	1,484
Utilities	1,225	1,283	1,183	1,267
Other	608	597	574	764
Total	6,188	6,538	6,706	7,810

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Construction Price Statistics, December 1975-February 1976 — Advance Information.

New Housing Price Indexes (1971=100)				
	February 1976	January 1976	December 1975	November 1975
	% Change February/76 February/75			
Toronto	177.1	177.1	174.9	172.4
Ottawa-Hull	188.2	188.2	188.2	182.4
Edmonton	233.9	233.8	225.8	224.3

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. R.J. Lowe (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Housing Starts and Completions, August 1975 — Advance Information.

Dwelling Starts and Completions in Centres of 10,000 Population & Over

January 1976	Starts					Completions				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland.....	31	2	14	—	47	158	—	81	28	267
Prince Edward Island	—	4	—	—	4	23	—	—	—	23
Nova Scotia	152	16	—	214	382	308	24	33	246	611
New Brunswick	26	16	—	116	158	217	12	—	32	261
Quebec	1,290	122	56	2,588	4,056	1,445	112	154	1,398	3,109
Ontario	1,190	463	601	1,677	3,931	1,779	772	1,017	2,568	6,136
Manitoba	236	8	42	68	354	227	39	4	60	330
Saskatchewan	212	8	—	142	362	429	10	25	27	491
Alberta	825	112	165	274	1,376	516	73	114	75	778
British Columbia	623	76	59	1,022	1,780	1,225	102	121	254	1,702
Canada	4,585	827	937	6,101	12,450	6,327	1,144	1,549	4,688	13,708
Metropolitan Areas										
Calgary	210	44	19	156	429	242	48	8	14	312
Chicoutimi-Jonquiere	24	2	—	—	26	80	14	—	8	102
Edmonton	522	52	146	90	810	197	2	90	—	289
Halifax	110	12	—	151	273	149	14	28	242	433
Hamilton	51	16	173	397	637	94	10	35	328	467
Hull	39	—	—	6	45	101	2	61	53	217
Kitchener	135	43	37	71	286	108	15	90	45	258
London	140	6	53	—	199	92	8	24	—	124
Montreal	915	106	47	2,319	3,387	710	86	93	1,288	2,177
Ottawa	48	26	3	—	77	112	70	39	—	221
Quebec	130	4	9	37	180	233	4	—	—	237
Regina	85	6	—	60	151	152	—	25	8	185
St. Catharines-Niagara	81	62	—	104	247	124	62	—	16	202
Saint-John	10	14	—	60	84	76	10	—	24	110
St. John's	26	—	14	—	40	123	—	47	28	198
Saskatoon	68	—	—	—	68	189	6	—	—	195
Sudbury	13	—	—	—	13	54	1	—	—	55
Thunder Bay	28	4	5	—	37	31	2	—	—	33
Toronto	284	112	198	653	1,247	623	400	425	1,875	3,323
Vancouver	382	36	47	517	982	611	50	30	122	813
Victoria	75	12	—	347	434	236	20	26	55	337
Windsor	59	—	—	1	60	89	—	—	—	89
Winnipeg	235	8	42	48	333	225	39	4	60	328
Sub-Total	3,670	565	793	5,017	10,045	4,651	863	1,025	4,166	10,705
Major Urban Areas	424	198	89	454	1,165	693	180	325	213	1,411
Other Areas 10,000 +	491	64	55	630	1,240	963	101	199	309	1,592
All Areas 10,000 +	4,585	827	937	6,101	12,450	6,327	1,144	1,549	4,688	13,708

For further information, order *Housing Starts and Completions*, January 1976 (64-002, \$3/\$3.60 outside Canada).

Farm Cash Receipts, January 1976 — (21-001, 30¢/\$3).

Preliminary estimates show that in January farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$1,671.6 million, down from \$1,886.5 million in January 1975. These estimates included cash receipts from the sale of farm products, Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years grain crops, cash advances on farm-stored grains in western Canada, and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction was made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the January issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact E.S. Boyko, (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January

(millions of dollars)

	1976	1975
Prince Edward Island	12.0	5.2
Nova Scotia	10.4	8.5
New Brunswick	12.0	7.5
Quebec	97.8	77.5
Ontario	202.7	194.0
Manitoba	133.6	180.3
Saskatchewan	813.0	985.4
Alberta	359.3	395.4
British Columbia	30.8	32.7
Canada	1,671.6	1,886.5

Sugar Sales, February 1975 — Advance Information.

For February, Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 67 509 268 kilograms (148,830,931 lbs.) of all types of sugar, 62 570 144 kilograms (137,942,138 lbs.) in domestic sales and 4 939 124 kilograms (10,888,793 lbs.) in export sales.

For further information, order the February issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50).

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,252,387,000 square feet of corrugated boxes and wrappers in January, an increase of 3.7% over the 1,206,146,000 square feet in January 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Marketing Handbook

The 1975 edition of the *Market Research Handbook*, collecting in a single volume reference information necessary for those who analyse the many aspects of markets for a variety of goods and services, is now available.

The handbook pulls together information normally found in a score of different Statistics Canada publications. The result is a one-volume work that gives a detailed picture of such things as trends in population growth, income, consumer consumption and shopping centre development, vital to any market analyst. The figures are applicable from the local right up to the national level.

For each of the volume's six subsections, a list of the specific publications from which primary figures were obtained is included.

For further information, order the 1975 edition of *Market Research Handbook* (63-224, \$3.50).

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Financial Flow Accounts, Third Quarter 1975 (13-002, \$1.75/\$7)

Canadian Statistical Review, February 1976 (11-003E, 70¢/\$7)

Farm Input Price Index, Fourth Quarter 1975 (62-004, 35¢/\$1.40)

The Wheat Review, January 1976 (22-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Specified Chemicals, December 1975 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, February 1976 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Motor Vehicle Shipments, January 1976 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Iron Ore, January 1976 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Quarterly Shipments of Flush Type Doors (Wood) By Canadian Manufacturers, Quarter Ended December 31, 1975 (35-004, 35¢/\$1.40)

Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, 1974 and 1975: No. 16, Pack of Processed Beets; No. 17, Pack of Processed Plums; No. 18, Pack of Canned Pears

Electrical Products (43-007, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, January 1976: No. 1, Domestic Water Tank Heaters; No. 2, Electric Lamps

Oilseeds, January 1976 — Advance Information.

January crushings of oilseeds, with oil produced and meal produced in brackets (all figures thousands of pounds):

- Soybeans: 125,491 (20,834; 99,182).
- Rapeseed: 66,640 (27,138 7,560).
- Sunflowerseed: 3,007 (1,201; 920).

For further information, order the latest quarterly issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22,006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact R. Mangione (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Employment Earnings and Hours, September 1975 (72-002, 70¢/\$7)

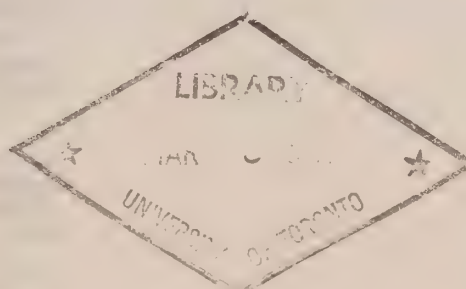
Exports by Commodities, December 1975 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

Oils and Fats, November 1975 (32-006, 30¢/\$3)

International Travel, January 1975 and 1976 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Honey Production, 1975 (23-007, 35¢)

Railway Carloadings, January 1976 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)



Railway Carloadings, 8 Days Ended February 29, 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Railways in Canada reported loadings of 4.7 million short tons (4.2 million metric tonnes) of revenue freight in the eight days, an increase of 5.6% over the shorter seven-day period of the previous year. The number of cars in the current year were up 4.6% to 77,985.

Piggyback traffic, after registering a 14.5% drop in loadings west of the Lakehead, showed a 13.5% rise in the east and managed an over-all gain of 5.0% to 186,070 short tons (168 800 metric tonnes).

After the first two months of 1976, rail carload tonnages were running 4.6% below those of the similar 1975 period. Freight losses in the East were greatest at 6.9%. In the West, loadings were off 2.0%. Piggyback shipments in the year to date were down 12.1%.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Mineral Production, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Primary mineral production for January, with comparable 1975 figures in brackets:

- Gold: 148,947 troy ounces (129,398 troy ounces).
- Primary copper: 75,603 tons (55,832 tons).
- Primary nickel: 22,716 tons (25,041 tons).
- Silver: 3,443,201 troy ounces (3,130,657 troy ounces).
- Refined lead: 19,370 tons (19,537 tons).
- Refined zinc: 42,042 tons (51,080 tons).

For further information, order the January issues of *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50), *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50) and *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

8-day period ending February 29

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,625,301	2,057,537	4,682,838
Short tons, 1975	2,336,609	2,097,277	4,433,886
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 381 633	1 866 566	4 248 199
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 119 736	1 902 618	4 022 354
% change	12.4	-1.9	5.6
Cars, 1976	46,022	31,963	77,985
Cars, 1975	40,989	33,590	74,579
% change	12.3	-4.8	4.6
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	140,131	45,939	186,070
Short tons, 1975	123,422	53,724	177,146
Metric tonnes, 1976	127 125	41 675	168 800
Metric tonnes, 1975	111 967	48 738	160 705
% change	13.5	-14.5	5.0
Cars, 1976	4,600	1,986	6,586
Cars, 1975	4,368	2,600	6,968
% change	5.3	-23.6	-5.5
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	17,270,550	15,734,792	33,005,342
Short tons, 1975	18,554,842	16,058,712	34,613,554
Metric tonnes, 1976	15 667 579	14 274 363	29 941 942
Metric tonnes, 1975	16 832 670	14 568 218	31 400 888
% change	-6.9	-2.0	-4.6
Cars, 1976	296,086	248,423	544,509
Cars, 1975	324,872	257,201	582,073
% change	-8.9	-3.4	-6.5
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	947,157	349,468	1,296,625
Short tons, 1975	1,083,693	391,168	1,474,861
Metric tonnes, 1976	859 246	317 032	1 176 278
Metric tonnes, 1975	983 110	354 862	1 337 972
% change	-12.6	-10.7	-12.1
Cars, 1976	31,727	15,123	46,850
Cars, 1975	38,308	18,869	57,177
% change	-17.2	-19.9	-18.1

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Calgary, Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524.

The Dairy Review, January 1976 — Advance Information.

An estimated 1.3 billion pounds of milk were produced in January, 13.6% more than in January 1975. The revised estimate of total milk produced in 1975 is 17.7 billion pounds, 5.1% above production in 1974.

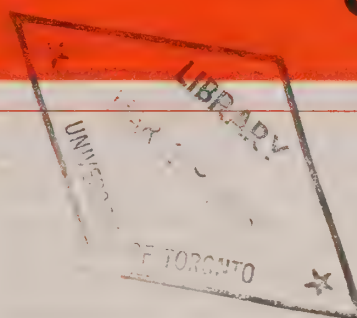
For further information, order the January issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.



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Department Store Sales by Regions, January 1976 (63-004, \$1.50 a year)

Gas Utilities, November 1975 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)

Gypsum Products, January 1976 (44-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Quarterly Shipments of Office Furniture Products, Quarter Ended December 31, 1975 (35-006, 35¢/\$1.40)

Products Made From Canadian Clays, December 1975 (44-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, January 1976 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletin:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Knitted Fabric Manufacturers (34-215-P-2)

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Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 4, 1975: No. 19, Pack of Processed Raspberries; No. 20, Pack of Processed Apricots; No. 21, Pack of Processed Strawberries

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 5, No. 5, Domestic and Farm Water Systems, January 1976

Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis the deficit balance on current account rose to \$1,362 million in the fourth quarter of 1975. The increase during the quarter of about \$100 million was roughly half the increase that occurred during the previous quarter. While there was a reduction of \$141 million in the deficit on merchandise trade as exports grew at twice the rate of imports, this was more than offset by an increase in the deficit on services, based mainly on rising interest and dividend payments. The increase in the deficit on goods and services was \$36 million but, as the prices of imports of goods and services increased faster than the prices of exports, in real terms the deficit on goods and services increased by more than 12%. This helped to dampen the growth in Gross National Product in real terms which was only 0.4% at annual rates for the quarter.

Total capital movements, unadjusted for seasonal variations, produced a net capital inflow of \$1,421 million in the fourth quarter, a substantial jump from \$772 million in the third. The capital inflow was more than sufficient to cover the current account deficit, unadjusted for seasonal variations, of \$1,323 million. Consequently Canada's official reserves increased by \$98 million.

Capital transactions in long-term forms provided a net inflow of \$1,829 million, more than double the \$794 million net inflow raised in these forms in the third quarter. The inflow due to new issues of Canadian securities was, at \$2,177 million, more than twice the previous record high established in the second quarter of 1975. The major movements in the other direction were direct investment in Canada, under the influence of Canadian purchases of assets that had previously been foreign owned, dropping by \$150 million compared with the corresponding figure for the third quarter and a swing of about \$200 million to an outflow of about \$150 million in other forms of portfolio investment. These were partially offset by a shift of over \$100 million during the quarter as net repayments occurred on medium and long-term export credits extended directly or indirectly at the risk of the Canadian government.

Capital movements in short-term forms represented a net outflow of \$408 million during the fourth quarter with the major factor being a balancing item currently of the order of \$650 million. While an increase occurred in the net foreign currency claims of the Canadian chartered banks on non-residents, producing an outflow of \$290 million, this was more than offset by inflows in the form of increased holdings by non-residents of Canadian dollar deposits and finance company paper. Other identified short-term capital transactions represented an inflow of about \$250 million.

Annual Summary 1975

In 1975 Canada's current account deficit was a record \$5,074 million, almost \$3.5 billion greater than in 1974. This was a major reason why the growth in the Canadian economy as measured by GNP in constant dollars was recorded as a slight 0.2% for 1975. The economy began emerging from a recession during early 1975 but the rate of growth on a seasonally-adjusted basis was weak, with some hesitation appearing in the fourth quarter. The seasonally-adjusted balance on international transactions in goods and services was a major contributor to this outcome. It commenced with a

record quarterly deficit of more than \$1.5 billion which contracted to just under \$1.2 billion in the following quarter and expanded to around \$1.4 billion for the third and fourth quarters.

The major factor in the increased deficit from the previous year was merchandise trade, which shifted from a surplus of \$1.5 billion to a deficit of about \$800 million. However, as import prices were rising more than 5% faster than export prices, the shift in the balance on merchandise trade was considerably less in constant-dollar terms. As in the previous year there were major labour disputes which had an appreciable impact on trade flows. Declines or relatively low rates of growth in economic activity in many countries resulted in depressed levels of world trade. Canada's exports contracted in volume about 7% while the volume of imports fell around 5%. As calculated, Canada's terms of trade in 1975 were less favourable than in 1974.

A substantial increase also occurred in the deficit on services, which rose about \$1 billion. Almost half of this was due to an increase in net payments of interest and dividends increasing largely as a result of capital inflows to finance the current account deficit. Payments on international travel increased by about \$500 million while receipts from international visitors to Canada offset about \$100 million of this.

Capital movements during 1975 produced a record net inflow of \$4.7 billion. This massive flow was \$3 billion greater than in 1974. The net \$3.7 billion of receipts in long-term forms was underlain by gross sales of \$4.9 billion in new issues of Canadian securities. Approaching \$2 billion of these were delivered in the fourth quarter as an unusually high differential between bond yields available in Canada and abroad and the temporary lifting in the June budget of withholding tax on interest payments to non-residents on certain types of long-term corporate bonds exercised a combined effect. The main factors in the rise of \$2.7 billion in the net inflow in long-term forms were an increase of nearly \$400 million in the net receipts from trading in Canadian securities, a reduction of about \$200 million in export credits at risk of the Government of Canada, offsetting movements from a decrease of about \$150 million in foreign direct investment in Canada and an increase of \$150 million in retirements of Canadian securities held by foreigners.

Short-term capital movements produced a net inflow of \$1 billion during 1975, an increase of about \$400 million on the corresponding figure for 1974. There was a swing of \$1.8 billion as Canadian chartered banks moved from a net increase during 1974 of about \$1.3 billion in their foreign currency claims on non-residents to a net decrease of about \$500 million during 1975. However, there was an offsetting movement of the same magnitude in non-bank holdings of foreign currency abroad. These had fallen by \$1.6 billion during 1974, when residents were repatriating assets held abroad, but they increased by about \$200 million during 1975. Transactions in money market paper produced an increased inflow of about \$300 million during 1975 but this was offset as the finance companies repaid loans or advances from non-resident banks and parent and affiliated companies. For the second successive year, holdings of Canadian dollar deposits by non-residents increased by the historically very high figure of \$600 million. There was a decrease of about

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\$400 million in all "other short-term capital transactions" — mainly due to an improvement of that order in the balancing item.

The current account deficit of \$5,074 million and the capital account inflow of \$4,670 million resulted in a net decrease of \$404 million in Canada's net official monetary assets during 1975. During the first half of the year the Canadian dollar floated steadily downwards in terms of Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) from SDR 0.824, reaching a low of SDR 0.777 at the end of May. This was followed by an appreciation in value which reached a high of SDR 0.843 in early December before closing the year at SDR 0.840, 2% higher than at the end of 1974. An accompanying deterioration in the value of the Canadian dollar against the United States dollar lasted until August and more than offset an appreciation in the last four months of the year resulting from the unusually large capital inflow. The closing rate of U.S. 98.425 cents was still appreciably below the rate of U.S. 100.949 cents recorded at the end of 1974.

The unprecedented shifts revealed in Canada's international transactions in 1975 occurred against a background of international change. The course of the Canadian economy has tended to diverge from that of its principal trading partners. In 1975, this took the form of a generally slower recovery from a shallower recession.

Canada's energy position has altered dramatically with the increasing impact being felt of changes in international and domestic prices, reduced export authorisations and the industry investment climate. Superimposed within the year were labour stoppages in transportation, in some export industries and in postal communications, the complex effects of which are not easily measured. Canada's international competitive position was less satisfactory in 1975 than in 1974 as a whole. Some of these developments were reflected in a widening of interest rate differentials between Canada and other countries which played an important part in the massive capital inflow which occurred. Other influences on the nature of capital flows originated in reassessments of the prospects of the course of economic growth in Canada and abroad, the anti-inflation program introduced in October and changes in tax policies. The changing pattern of international surpluses probably contributed to shifts in the mix of portfolio preferences evident in capital movements in both long- and short-term forms. Difficulties in the mechanisms for adjustment of various exchange rates were accompanied by continuing world-wide efforts, mainly through the International Monetary Fund, for reform of the International monetary system.

After falling slightly in the first few months from the extremely high levels achieved in 1974, both long- and short-term interest rates exhibited a general tendency to rise during the rest of the year. Rates in Canada were well above those abroad and therefore Canadian borrowers obtained substantial amounts of finance from foreign capital markets.

For further information contact D.W. Anderson (613-995-0743) Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8. The complete quarterly publication including detailed tables and analysis will be available next month in *Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments* (67-001, \$1.05).

Particle Board, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian firms produced 38,768,000 sq. ft. (5/8" basis) of particle board in January compared to 21,912,000 sq. ft. in January 1975, an increase of 77%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Consumer Credit, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly was \$18,663 million at the end of January, 14.6% more than a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of selected credit holders at the end of January 1976, with percent change from a year earlier:

- Chartered bank personal loans: \$13,213 million, up 21.0%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$58 million, up 34.9%.
- Life insurance company policy loans: \$1,167 million, up 8.5%.
- Sales finance and consumer company loans: small \$247 million, down 14.8%; large \$1,494 million, down 0.2%; retail instalment sales paper \$1,133 million, down 1.1%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,350 million, up 5.0%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$5,028 million at the end of the fourth quarter of 1975, up 15.3% from a year earlier. These holders include other retail stores, other credit-card issuers, credit unions and caisses populaires, public utilities, trust and mortgage and loan companies.

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the December quarter of 1975 totalled \$23,728 million, up 15.4% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, January 1976 — Advance Information.

In January, packers, dealers and tanners held 279,067 cattle hides, down from 306,512 a year earlier, and 142,027 calf and kip skins, up from 100,536. Cattle hide receipts decreased to 191,292 from 206,458 and wettings increased to 212,913 from 210,853.

For further information, order the January issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pension Plans, 1974 — Advance Information.

Membership in private pension plans in Canada reached a record total of 3.4 million workers at the beginning of 1974, up sharply from 2.8 million in 1970, according to advance data. Annual employer and employee contributions made up by and on behalf of these employees amounted to over \$2,991,000,000.

Copies of *Pension Plans in Canada, 1974* (74-401E, \$1.40), are expected to be available for distribution in April.

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Number and Percentage of Pension Plans and Members by Membership Size-Group, 1974

Membership — Size Group	Plans		Male		Members Female		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Less than 15	9,359	58.9	38,828	1.3	8,590	0.8	47,418	1.3
15 — 49	3,215	20.2	70,751	2.8	15,518	1.6	86,269	2.5
50 — 99	1,107	6.9	63,358	2.5	14,186	1.5	77,544	2.2
100 — 199	806	5.0	91,968	3.6	23,257	2.5	115,225	3.3
200 — 499	698	4.4	174,112	6.9	39,989	4.3	214,101	6.2
500 — 999	275	1.7	155,830	6.2	38,611	4.1	194,441	5.6
1,000 — 2,999	243	1.5	322,553	12.8	91,107	9.8	413,660	12.0
3,000 — 4,999	45	0.1	128,108	5.1	42,797	4.5	170,905	4.9
5,000 and over	105	0.6	1,451,340	58.0	653,342	70.3	2,104,682	61.4
Total	15,853	100.0	2,496,848	100.0	927,397	100.0	3,424,245	100.0

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 13, 1976 — Advance Information.

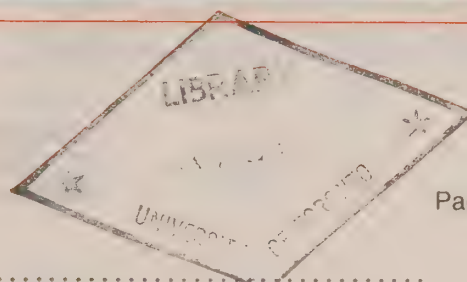
Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended March 13 totalled 283,216 short tons (256 929 metric tonnes), an increase of 6.2% from the preceding week's total of 266,559 short tons (241 818 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 269,513 tons (217 283 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 154.6 in the current week, 145.5 a week earlier and 147.1 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Crop Report

Advance figures are available for harvested acreages and tonnages purchased by vegetable processors in 1975.

For further information, order *Fruit and Vegetable Crop Reports* (22-003, \$1.40 for the series), or contact Mr. G.O. Code (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Security Transactions With Non-residents, November 1975 (67-002, 40¢/\$4)

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, December 1975 (66-001, 70¢/\$7)

Shipping Report, Part IV: Origin and Destination for Selected Ports, 1974 (54-206, \$2.80)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1976 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 6, No. 1, Railway Carloadings, January 1976

The Labour Force, February 1976 — Advance Information.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, employment decreased and unemployment increased in February, giving an adjusted unemployment rate of 7.0%, up from 6.6% in January. The rate was 6.7% in February 1975.

Employment, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at 9,541,000, down 22,000 from January. The big drop was in the 15-24 age category. There were slight increases in employment for both men and women 25 and over.

Unemployment increased by 38,000 to 719,000 on an adjusted basis in February. This followed a decline of 31,000 from December to January. A major factor in the increase was a higher level of unemployment for women.

Without seasonal adjustment, the labour force was estimated at 9,978,000 with 9,178,000 employed and 800,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 8.0%. The unemployment rate was the same in January, with the labour

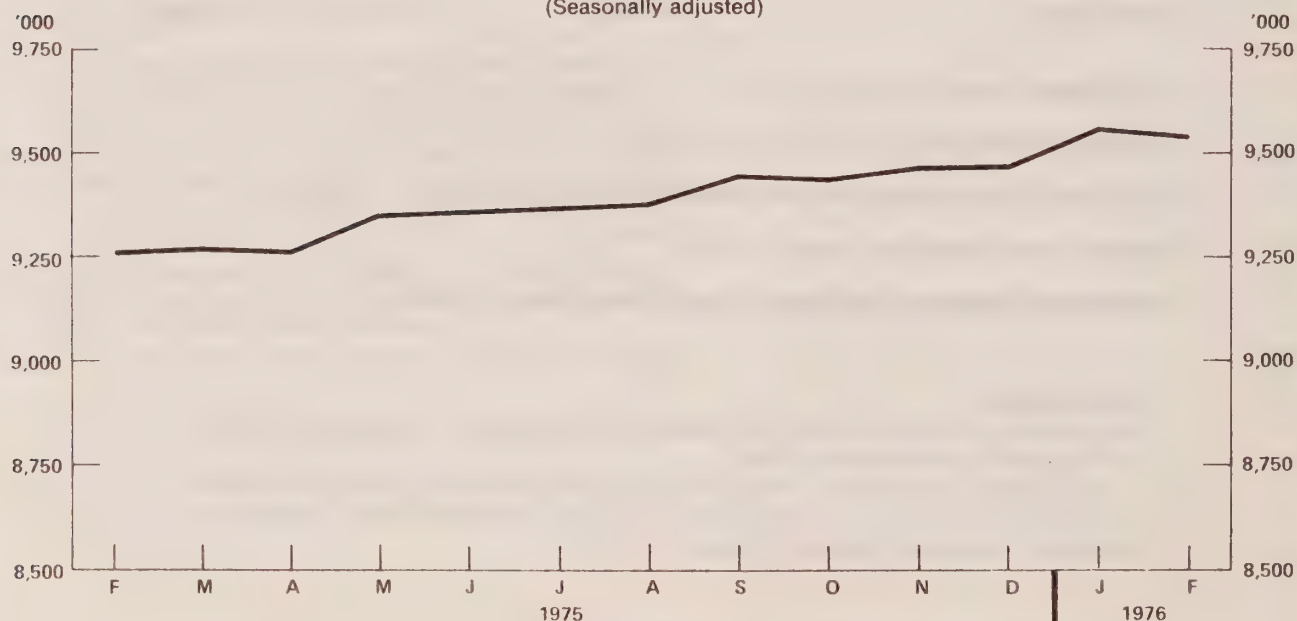
force estimated at 9,945,000 with 9,145,000 employed and 800,000 unemployed. In February 1975, the labour force was 9,628,000 with 98,891,000 employed and 737,000 unemployed for a rate of 7.7%.

Adjusted unemployment rates for the provinces, with January figures in brackets: Newfoundland 13.1% (11.6%); Nova Scotia 7.6% (7.9%); New Brunswick 11.2% (11.0%); Quebec 8.5% (7.9%); Ontario 5.9% (5.6%); Manitoba 4.8% (5.1%); Saskatchewan 4.2% (4.3%); Alberta 3.6% (4.1%); British Columbia 8.9% (8.5%). Because of small sample size in Prince Edward Island, unemployment estimates are subject to wide error and are not published.

For further information, order the February issue of *The Labour Force* (77-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

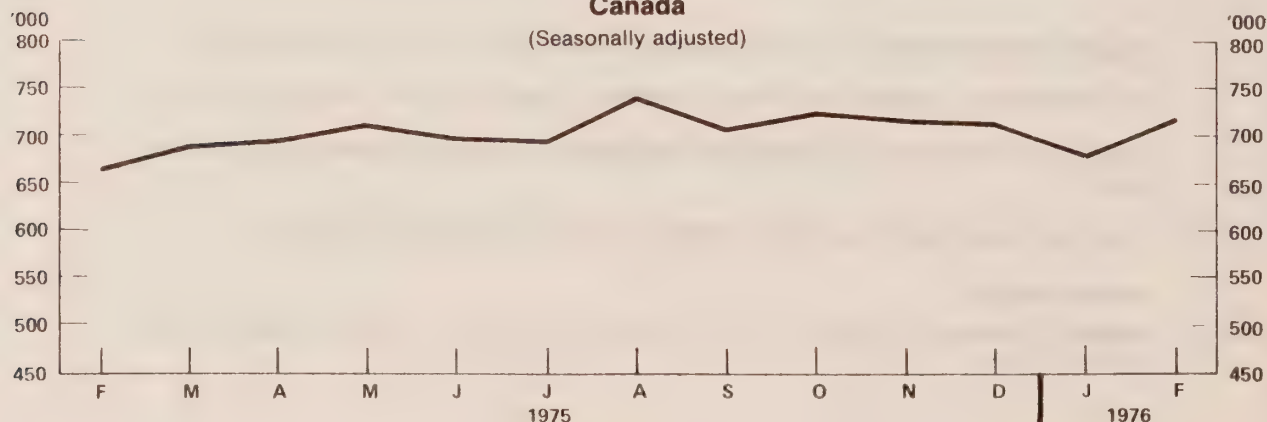
Employment Canada

(Seasonally adjusted)



Unemployment Canada

(Seasonally adjusted)



Financial Institutions

Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

	4th Quarter 1975	Change From Same Period a Year Earlier		Amount Change from 3rd Quarter 1975
	\$'000	Amount \$'000	%	\$'000
Trust Companies				
Mortgages	10,542,095	1,678,220	19.0	523,495
Total Assets	14,559,257	2,117,544	17.0	503,540
Demand Deposits	2,813,896	620,098	28.1	34,253
Term Deposits	10,493,723	1,272,373	13.9	469,532
Mortgage Companies				
Mortgages	6,559,786	991,336	18.0	342,286
Total Assets	8,016,843	1,207,698	17.9	450,209
Demand Deposits	772,127	111,805	16.9	2,841
Term Deposits	4,975,009	826,346	20.0	346,747
Mortgage Investment Trust Corp's.				
Mortgages	612,652	130,098	27.0	324
Total Assets	1,052,384	219,665	26.4	-20,278
Sales Finance and Consumer Loan Companies				
Retail Financing				
Industrial and Commercial	2,066,778	202,266	11.0	75,237
Consumer Business	2,238,913	74,626	3.4	127,029
Wholesale Financing	1,667,417	175,762	12.0	170,629
Small Loans Act	253,593	-45,388	-15.2	-1,371
Other Personal Loans	1,521,362	10,484	0.7	-6,992
Total Assets	10,336,125	850,572	9.0	612,218
Mutual Funds (Cost)				
Canadian Preferred Shares	128,618	-4,241	-3.2	-3,711
Canadian Common Shares	1,130,863	-54,371	-4.6	-4,817
Foreign Pref. and Common Shares	492,729	7,615	1.5	20,989
Total Assets	2,801,360	4,621	0.2	-37,404
Total Portfolio — Cost	2,720,472	67	—	-24,699
— Market	2,685,916	364,293	15.7	20,321
Fire and Casualty Ins. Co's.				
Net Premiums	876,195	209,065	31.3	24,050
Underwriting Gain	-53,060	77,913	—	-54,493
Total Assets	5,555,835	732,846	15.2	232,109
Closed-End Funds (Cost)				
Canadian Common Shares	328,440	5,380	1.7	-481
Total Portfolio — Cost	725,425	26,515	4.0	-49,701
— Market	907,429	122,761	15.6	-27,609
Finance Leasing Corp.				
Lease Contracts	558,958	76,463	17.9	35,377
Total Assets	805,564	138,779	21.6	35,653

Further information will be contained in the Statistics Canada publication *Financial Institutions*, Fourth Quarter 1975 (61-006, \$1.40/\$5.60).

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, January 1976
— Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,768,075 phonograph records in January, up from 3,867,008 in January 1975.

Production of pre-recorded tapes (8 track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 760,214 from 673,576.

For further information, order *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes — Service Bulletin* (47-004, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Electric Power Statistics, January 1976 — Advance Information.

In January, net generation increased to 27.5 billion kWh. from 26.6 billion kWh. in January 1975.

Hydro generation decreased 1.7% while thermal production increased 17.9%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 12/76 This week	Mar. 5/76 Week ago	Feb. 13/76 Month ago
		1971 = 100		
Investors Index	134	110.7	110.9	109.0
Industrials	85	115.6	114.9	112.4
Foods	9	98.2	98.7	96.2
Alcoholic beverages	5	93.2	93.9	94.2
Textiles and clothing	3	137.4	140.5	137.4
Pulp and paper	7	158.7	156.5	151.9
Printing and publishing	5	134.8	136.0	139.3
Primary metals	4	123.4	125.8	127.4
Industrial mines	6	97.0	93.1	90.7
Metal fabricating	9	231.9	233.4	210.6
Non-metallic minerals	4	111.1	110.9	101.0
Petroleum	8	105.6	105.9	103.7
Chemicals	5	150.0	148.9	144.2
Construction	5	212.7	210.8	204.5
Trade	15	103.1	105.7	104.8
Utilities and services	28	89.3	90.5	89.7
Transportation	6	123.9	123.9	119.8
Pipelines	5	76.8	78.0	78.2
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	109.2	109.2	106.5
Telephone	4	89.9	91.2	90.3
Electric power	3	101.5	101.2	103.7
Gas distribution	5	67.1	69.7	70.5
Finances	21	118.7	122.1	121.8
Banks	8	120.2	124.4	125.4
Investment and loan	9	116.4	119.3	115.6
Insurance	4	108.1	103.0	101.2
Mining Index	17	113.2	109.9	103.4
Gold	9	185.7	180.9	165.8
Base metals	8	78.5	76.0	73.4
Uranium	2	220.9	220.7	226.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	104.7	102.3	98.8

For further information, order the March issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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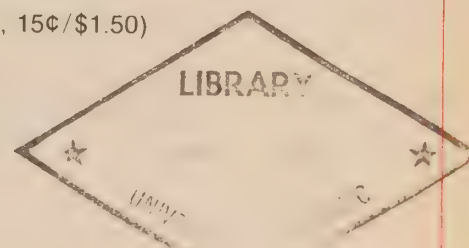
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Advance Trade Information

Full details on commodity-country export trade for January are now available, in advance of the regular publication *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information request to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- Stoves and Furnaces**, December 1975 (41-005, 30¢/\$3)
- Soaps and Synthetic Detergents**, December 1975 (46-003, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods**, December 1975 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances**, December 1975 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Cement**, January 1976 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Rigid Insulating Board**, January 1976 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers**, January 1976 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Hardboard**, January 1976 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
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Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for the series): Petroleum Refining (45-205-p-1); Carpet, Mat and Rug Industry (34-221-p)

Service Bulletins:

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 8: No. 9, Canada-U.S.A. Scheduled Air Passenger Origin & Destination, 3rd Quarter of 1974 and 1975; Preliminary International Air Charter Statistics — Passenger Origin and Destination: No. 11, August 1975, No. 12, September 1975 and No. 13, October 1975.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, March 1, 1976
— Advance Information.

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were 69.3 million pounds on March 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 36.3 million and stocks of cheddar cheese were down to 60.9 million pounds from 71.8 million. Stocks of skim milk powder increased 178.0% to 344.1 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk increased 106.9% to 19.2 million. Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at March 1 amounted to 54.1 million pounds compared with last year's total of 89.2 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Dairy Factory Production, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of creamery butter rose 43.2% in February to 16.1 million pounds from 11.3 million pounds a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production increased 18.8% to 11.6 million pounds from 9.8 million pounds and production of ice cream mix increased 0.7% to 1.90 million gallons from 1.88 million gallons.

For further information, order the February issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Tea and Coffee, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

Production of roasted coffee decreased to 26,671,000 pounds in the fourth quarter from 27,314,000 in the final quarter of 1974. Production of instant coffee increased to 6,517,000 pounds from 6,011,000 pounds. Tea production was 10,390,000 pounds compared to 11,122,000 pounds.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Miscellaneous Food Preparations* (32-018, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended March 7, 1976 —
Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

In the first week of March Canada's railways hauled 4.3 million short tons of revenue freight (3.9 million metric tonnes), a decrease of 0.7% from the similar 1975 period. Loadings east of the Lakehead were down 1.8% while those in the West rose 0.8%.

Piggyback traffic, measured by the weight of goods carried in trailers and containers on flat cars, declined 2.9% to 182,748 short tons (165 786 metric tonnes). Eastern loadings were up 1.8% while traffic in the West declined 15.8%.

The volume of carload traffic to date in 1976 at 37.3 million short tons (33.9 million metric tonnes) was 4.1% off the 1975 pace. In the East loadings were down 6.0% and western

shipments were down 1.7%. Cumulative piggyback movements were down 7.3% to 1.5 million short tons (1.4 million metric tonnes).

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion fact one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending March 7

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,452,519	1,806,247	4,258,766
Short tons, 1975r	2,498,175	1,791,423	4,289,598
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 224 888	1 638 600	3 863 488
Metric tonnes, 1975r	2 266 306	1 625 152	3 891 458
% change	-1.8	0.8	-0.7
Cars, 1976	41,135	27,489	68,624
Cars, 1975r	42,872	28,786	71,658
% change	-4.1	-4.5	-4.2
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	140,399	42,349	182,748
Short tons, 1975r	137,877	50,288	188,165
Metric tonnes, 1976	127 368	38 418	165 786
Metric tonnes, 1975r	125 080	45 621	170 701
% change	1.8	-15.8	-2.9
Cars, 1976	4,595	1,830	6,425
Cars, 1975r	4,780	2,418	7,198
% change	-3.9	-24.3	-10.7
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	19,785,769	17,541,039	37,326,808**
Short tons, 1975r	21,053,017	17,850,135	38,903,152
Metric tonnes, 1976	17 949 348	15 912 963	33 862 311
Metric tonnes, 1975r	19 098 976	16 193 370	35 292 346
% change	-6.0	-1.7	-4.1
Cars, 1976	339,330	275,912	615,242**
Cars, 1975r	367,744	285,987	653,731
% change	-7.7	-3.5	-5.9
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	1,150,256	391,817	1,542,073**
Short tons, 1975r	1,221,570	441,456	1,663,026
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 043 495	355 450	1 398 945
Metric tonnes, 1975r	1 108 190	400 482	1 508 672
% change	-5.8	-11.2	-7.3
Cars, 1976	38,431	16,953	55,384**
Cars, 1975r	43,088	21,287	64,375
% change	-10.8	-20.4	-14.0

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

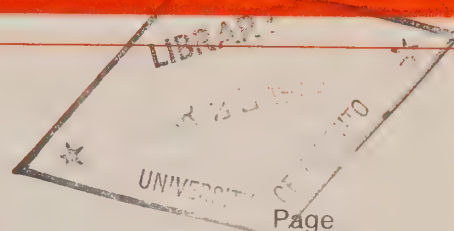
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Marketing Handbook

The 1975 edition of the *Market Research Handbook*, collecting in a single volume reference information necessary for those who analyse the many aspects of markets for a variety of goods and services, is now available.

The handbook pulls together information normally found in a score of different Statistics Canada publications. The result is a one-volume work that gives a detailed picture of such things as trends in population growth, income, consumer consumption and shopping centre development, vital to any market analyst. The figures are applicable from the local right up to the national level.

For each of the volume's six subsections, a list of the specific publications from which primary figures were obtained is included.

For further information, order the 1975 edition of *Market Research Handbook* (63-224, \$3.50).

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, February 1976 (62-009, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletins:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 6, No 8., Monthly Telephone Statistics, January 1976

Aviation (51-004, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 8, No. 14, Civil Aviation — Operations of Transcontinental and Regional Air Carriers, November 1975
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Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes (47-004, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 5, No. 1,
Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada,
January 1976

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, February 1976
(62-009, 30¢/\$3)

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPIs show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price level differences between cities. Some such inter-city price comparisons are published separately. For reference see footnote to tables.

From January to February consumer price indexes rose in all regional cities, with increases ranging from 0.1% in Ottawa to 0.6% in Halifax, Quebec City and Montreal. Higher prices for housing, offset to some extent by frequently lower prices for food, were the main contributors to this change. Food indexes declined in Ottawa and all cities west of there but increased in cities east of Ottawa. Substantial reductions in meat prices, notably beef, were largely responsible for the slowing down of food prices. But some of this was offset by higher prices for fresh fruit and vegetables. Substantial increases in housing indexes resulted from price increases for new houses, dwelling insurance, rents and selected items of household operation. Higher prices for women's wear, automobile insurance, men's haircuts and magazines were also important contributors.

St. John's

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.5%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 9.9%.

Main contributors: fresh produce items up, notably potatoes, but beef and pork prices down. Increased home ownership charges, particularly for new houses and dwelling insurance.

Halifax

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.6%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 10.6%.

Main contributors: food prices up, particularly for fresh vegetables and cereal products; lower prices recorded for most meats. Automobile insurance, home ownership and women's hairdressing charges up.

Saint John

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.3%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 9.3%.

Main contributors: higher shelter prices for both owned and rented accommodation and for furniture. Prices also up for fresh produce and beverages but down for pork and chicken. Cost of automobile operation down because of decline in price of gasoline.

Quebec City

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.6%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher clothing prices, notably for adult outer wear and footwear. Other major contributors were increased shelter charges and increased prices for fresh vegetables, restaurant meals and men's haircuts. Meat prices down.

Montreal

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.6%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: private transportation costs and shelter charges up. Higher prices for fresh produce, beverages and restaurant meals, men's and women's wear and men's haircuts.

Ottawa

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.1%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation, notably dwelling insurance and household operation costs. Food prices down substantially with the exception of fresh produce. Prices up for hairdressing, magazines and beverages consumed on licensed premises.

Toronto

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.2%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 8.8%.

Main contributors: increased electricity rates and shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Prices also up for automobile insurance, men's haircuts and women's wear. Food at home prices generally down.

Thunder Bay

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.3%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 10.8%.

Main contributors: home ownership charges and household operation expenses and parking fees up. Meat prices down but prices for fruit, vegetables, soft drinks and restaurant meals up.

Winnipeg

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.2%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 10.2%.

Main contributors: higher shelter prices for both owned and rented accommodation, as well as increased prices for furniture. Higher prices also for women's wear, footwear and pharmaceuticals. Food prices generally down, notably beef and cereal products.

Saskatoon

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.4%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 9.9%.

Main contributors: higher shelter prices for both owned and rented accommodation, as well as increased prices for men's haircuts and alcoholic beverages consumed on licensed premises. Food at home prices generally down; restaurant meal prices up.

Regina

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.2%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: increased shelter prices for both owned and rented accommodation. Prices also up for men's and women's wear, men's haircuts and wine. Food at home prices declined substantially.

Edmonton

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.2%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation, notably new houses and dwelling insurance. Automobile insurance rates also up. Lower prices recorded for most food at home.

Calgary

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.3%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 10.1%.

Main contributors: higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation, particularly prices for new houses and dwelling insurance. Prices also higher for women's wear and men's haircuts. Food at home prices generally down.

Vancouver

All items: January to February 1976, up 0.3%; February 1975 to February 1976, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: higher charges for both owned and rented accommodation and fuel oil. Prices also higher for (continued)

men's haircuts and women's hairdressing. Food at home prices generally down except for fresh produce items, which rose sharply.

(see table below)

Wholesale Trade, January 1976 - Advance Information.

Sales by wholesale merchants for January were estimated at \$3,464,537,000, a 13.3% increase from January 1975.

In the consumer goods trades a significant change was registered by the groceries and food specialties component, up 15.8%. In the industrial goods trades a notable item was an increase of 32.0% in the category of other construction materials and supplies including lumber.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$6,235,645,000, an increase of 2.0% over January 1975.

Further details may be obtained from the January issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 25,442 units in January, up from 15,763 in January 1975. Conventional washing machine sales were 5,697 units compared to 7,305 a year earlier. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 23,123 units compared to 15,908 units. Gas dryer sales on the domestic market were 736 units compared to 723.

For further information, order the January issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More, (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recreation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
February 1976 index	150.6	176.4	145.3	123.0	144.8	150.2	131.2	139.7
January 1976 index	149.8	174.9	144.5	122.6	144.7	149.6	130.9	139.4
% change from January 1976	0.5	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.2
% change from February 1975	9.9	8.4	15.0	0.4	11.8	12.2	6.6	8.9
Halifax								
February 1976 index	142.4	167.2	135.7	122.3	143.9	131.0	128.1	127.0
January 1976 index	141.5	165.4	135.3	122.8	141.9	129.7	127.7	126.7
% change from January 1976	0.6	1.1	0.3	-0.4	1.4	1.0	0.3	0.2
% change from February 1975	10.6	7.0	15.2	4.4	14.8	7.5	6.5	7.2
Saint John								
February 1976 index	144.6	171.1	137.1	122.2	141.9	144.5	140.5	124.5
January 1976 index	144.2	170.4	136.1	121.8	142.9	144.7	140.1	124.5
% change from January 1976	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.3	-0.7	-0.1	0.3	0.0
% change from February 1975	9.3	9.4	10.8	4.6	10.7	10.1	7.1	5.1
Quebec City								
February 1976 index	141.1	166.6	132.8	124.0	139.8	135.1	129.7	127.7
January 1976 index	140.2	166.3	132.0	121.5	139.7	132.3	129.0	127.5
% change from January 1976	0.6	0.2	0.6	2.1	0.1	2.1	0.5	0.2
% change from February 1975	8.3	7.4	9.6	3.5	11.8	12.2	5.8	6.2
Montreal								
February 1976 index	142.8	168.2	129.9	130.8	141.9	140.9	135.6	129.2
January 1976 index	142.0	167.6	129.0	129.4	140.7	138.7	135.0	128.9
% change from January 1976	0.6	0.4	0.7	1.1	0.9	1.6	0.4	0.2
% change from February 1975	8.6	6.5	9.6	5.9	14.9	11.4	7.0	6.3
Ottawa								
February 1976 index	143.2	164.0	136.4	134.8	139.6	138.4	131.5	130.3
January 1976 index	143.1	165.3	135.7	134.4	139.6	136.8	130.8	129.4
% change from January 1976	0.1	-0.8	0.5	0.3	0.0	1.2	0.5	0.7
% change from February 1975	9.0	8.0	10.8	7.7	11.3	9.0	6.0	4.1
Toronto								
February 1976 index	143.0	166.0	135.7	128.5	137.7	145.6	134.9	127.6
January 1976 index	142.7	167.5	134.3	127.9	137.5	144.0	134.2	127.6
% change from January 1976	0.2	-0.9	1.0	0.5	0.1	1.1	0.5	0.0
% change from February 1975	8.8	7.4	10.6	4.7	12.4	9.9	8.1	3.4

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	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971-100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Thunder Bay								
February 1976 index	145.3	166.6	141.4	123.2	148.1	140.6	132.5	126.2
January 1976 index	144.8	167.3	140.4	122.8	147.0	139.6	132.4	126.2
% change from January 1976	0.3	-0.4	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.0
% change from February 1975	10.8	8.9	14.5	3.9	13.4	11.1	8.0	3.5
Winnipeg								
February 1976 index	145.3	167.6	142.4	128.2	138.2	146.9	130.7	128.5
January 1976 index	145.0	168.5	141.4	126.8	138.2	146.0	130.5	128.2
% change from January 1976	0.2	-0.5	0.7	1.1	0.0	0.6	0.2	0.2
% change from February 1975	10.2	8.5	14.6	4.6	11.1	12.0	7.2	5.7
Saskatoon**								
February 1976 index	141.3	161.6	137.0	129.5	132.4	133.9	142.0	125.7
January 1976 index	140.8	162.2	136.0	128.9	132.4	133.7	141.6	123.6
% change from January 1976	0.4	-0.4	0.7	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.3	1.7
% change from February 1975	9.9	6.3	14.5	4.6	12.0	5.2	8.5	8.9
Regina**								
February 1976 index	140.5	155.1	138.0	128.6	133.3	136.5	143.6	125.9
January 1976 index	140.2	156.6	136.9	128.1	133.0	135.3	143.4	125.1
% change from January 1976	0.2	-1.0	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.1	0.6
% change from February 1975	9.8	3.5	16.0	5.6	12.5	6.6	9.2	8.3
Edmonton**								
February 1976 index	142.9	156.2	144.6	128.8	142.7	132.3	129.8	128.2
January 1976 index	142.6	157.0	143.3	128.5	142.0	132.5	129.3	128.2
% change from January 1976	0.2	-0.5	0.9	0.2	0.5	-0.2	0.4	0.0
% change from February 1975	9.7	4.3	15.6	4.0	13.7	8.4	5.9	8.5
Calgary**								
February 1976 index	142.4	158.8	138.9	132.1	142.1	136.6	129.9	128.2
January 1976 index	142.0	159.6	137.6	131.1	142.1	135.7	129.4	128.1
% change from January 1976	0.3	-0.5	0.9	0.8	0.0	0.7	0.4	0.1
% change from February 1975	10.1	5.1	16.1	4.7	14.7	9.6	3.8	9.2
Vancouver								
February 1976 index	144.3	169.1	139.1	131.2	132.8	139.7	128.9	131.5
January 1976 index	143.8	169.5	137.9	130.6	133.0	137.2	128.6	131.0
% change from January 1976	0.3	-0.2	0.9	0.5	-0.2	1.8	0.2	0.4
% change from February 1975	9.0	6.3	12.3	4.7	9.9	7.6	8.2	9.4

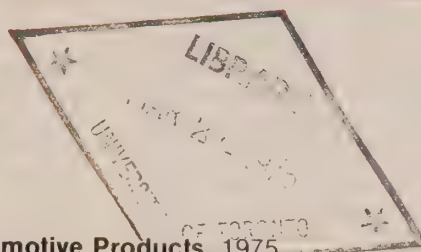
* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of Prices and Price Indexes (62-002, 50¢/\$5.50).

** These indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supercede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin, Vol. 3, No. 5 (62-005).

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Canada's Foreign Trade in Automotive Products, 1975 —
Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat.

Both exports to and imports of automotive products from the United States reached record levels in 1975. Exports of motor vehicles and parts increased nearly 9% — from \$5,424 million in 1974 to \$5,903 million in 1975. This was much larger than the 2.5% increase from 1973 to 1974. Imports increased nearly 18% to \$7,808 million compared to a 15.5% increase in 1974.

The deficit in the two-way trade in automotive products was estimated at \$1,905 million in 1975, up \$701 million from 1974. Successive contractions in the surplus on vehicle trade plus rising deficits in the exchange of parts contributed to this development. Moreover, the deficit widened considerably in the last quarter of 1975 after remaining at roughly the same level in the first nine months of the year.

Following a fall of 10% in 1974, the value of automotive parts exports recovered only partially to \$2,045 million in 1975. But the value of shipments of passenger cars increased 12.5% to \$2,858 million and those of trucks and related vehicles rose 7.5% to \$932 million.

The absolute increase of \$1,180 million in 1975 in the value of automotive imports was distributed fairly evenly between vehicles and parts. Except for a decline in the value of tire imports, which came after a year of work stoppages in the Canadian tire industry, other automotive imports from the U.S. stood at record high levels.

There was a sharp contrast in the behaviour of exports and imports of automotive products to and from countries other than the U.S. in 1975. Exports jumped 88% to \$535 million while imports declined 2.5% to \$689 million. The 1975 deficit of \$154 million was far smaller than the deficits of \$424 million and \$336 million recorded in the two preceding years.

Over 80% of the \$251 million increase in the value of exports was in motor vehicles. The doubling of the value of passenger car exports was distributed among Venezuela, some oil exporting countries in the Middle East, Japan and Western Europe. Shipments of trucks rose sharply to oil exporting countries, in particular to Iran and Venezuela. They also rose to South Africa and Taiwan. Exports of other motor vehicles to the U.S.S.R. and Yugoslavia rose more than \$20 million. Imports of motor vehicles from overseas countries declined \$47 million.

In 1975 there was a small over-all advance of 2% — up to 679,200 units — in the number of passenger cars imported. This increase was the result of higher imports from the U.S., partly offset by a fall in arrivals from Japan, West Germany, Italy, and other countries. The gain of 20% in the average import price of U.S. cars was slightly below the over-all increase of 23%. Exceeding this average were rises in the prices of cars imported from West Germany, France and Italy. The average price increase for Japanese cars was down 10.5%. The exchange rate of the yen against the Canadian dollar rose 2.3% during 1975 compared to a 4% appreciation of the U.S. dollar and 9.5% for the German mark.

Because of an apparent shift of consumer preferences to larger automobiles, the share of U.S.-assembled automobiles in total 1975 imports increased to 81% from 74.5% in 1974. The share of Japanese cars fell 5 percentage points to 10.5%.

For further information, contact H.W. Iwasaki (613-992-2663), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on next page)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, January 1976 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted preliminary estimate of the value of Canadian manufacturers' shipments for January is \$7,788.7 million, 2.8% higher than the revised December value of \$7,576.6 million. Durable goods industry shipments in January were estimated at \$3,585.8 million, up 3.8% from the revised December estimate of \$3,455.5 million. Non-durable goods industries shipments, at \$4,202.9 million, were also higher, showing an increase of 2% over the revised December value for this group of \$4,121.1 million.

New orders received, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$7,674.8 million, an increase of 2.2% from the revised December value of \$7,508.5 million. The percentage increases were the same in both the non-durable and durable goods industries. The former increased from a revised December value of \$4,111.2 million to \$4,201.5 million in January and the latter from \$3,397.3 million in December to \$3,473.3 million. Unfilled orders declined 1.2% from the December level of \$9,855.7 million to a January estimate of \$9,741.8 million. The decline was primarily in the backlog of unfilled orders in durable goods industries, where the January level of \$8,462.7 million was down \$112.5 million from the December estimate of \$8,575.2 million.

Total inventory owned by manufacturers was valued at an estimated \$15,485.1 million, a 0.4% decline from the December estimate of \$15,545.8 million. Total inventory held, estimated at \$16,266.7 million at the end of January, was 0.3% lower than at the end of the preceding month. There were declines of 1.2% in the value of raw materials and 0.3% in that of finished products. The estimated value of goods in process was 1.2% higher at the end of January than a month earlier.

For the first time since October 1974 when it stood at 1.96:1, the ratio of the total value of inventories owned to shipments, seasonally adjusted, at 1.99:1, was below 2:1. This ratio, which declined during the latter months of 1975 to 2.05:1 in December, had averaged 2.13:1 over the year. The ratio of the value of finished products to shipments in January at .66:1 was also down slightly from its December level of .68:1.

The estimated value of shipments for all 1975 was \$85,143.7 million, up 6.1% from 1974. Before adjustment for seasonal variation, January 1976 shipments were estimated at \$7,050.1 million compared with \$7,279.1 million in December.

For further information, order the January issue of Inventories Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

(see tables on pages 4 and 5)

Canada-United States Trade in Automotive Products

	1973	1974	1975	Change '74 to '75
(\$ millions)				
United States Imports from Canada*				
Cars	2,271	2,540	2,858	318
Trucks, etc.	789	867	932	65
Parts	2,171	1,953	2,045	92
Tires and tubes	68	64	68	4
Total	5,299	5,424	5,903	479
Canadian Imports from United States				
Cars	1,439	1,621	2,172	551
Trucks, etc.	643	896	941	45
Parts	3,553	3,893	4,522	629
Tires and tubes	92	218	173	-45
Total	5,727	6,628	7,808	1,180
Balance				
Cars	832	919	686	-233
Trucks, etc.	146	-29	-9	20
Parts	-1,382	-1,940	-2,477	-537
Tires and tubes	-24	-154	-105	49
Total	-428	-1,204	-1,905	-701
Excluded: retroactive adjustments to imported parts from U.S. for special tooling charges	68	125	—	

* A more accurate measurement of trade in automotive products is obtained by comparing the import statistics of each country. Accordingly, Canadian exports are derived from the counterpart U.S. statistics of imports.

Canada-Other Countries Trade in Automobile Products

	1973	1974	1975	Change 1974 to 1975
(\$ millions)				
Canadian exports				
Cars	60	71	143	72
Other motor vehicles	66	85	217	132
Parts	114	116	160	44
Tires and tubes	5	5	5	—
Re-exports	8	7	10	3
Total	253	284	535	251
Canadian imports				
Cars	337	389	357	-32
Other motor vehicles	40	60	45	-15
Parts	155	189	205	16
Tires and tubes	57	70	82	12
Total	589	708	689	-19
Balance	-336	-424	-154	270

(see table on next page)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,642,000 barrels a day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in January. This was 6.6% lower than the 2,828,000 B/D received a year earlier. Domestic petroleum and products decreased 7.6% to 2,159,000 B/D while imported petroleum and products decreased 1.8% to 483,000 B/D.

For further information order the January issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, March 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of March amounted to 90.9 million pounds compared to 87.5 million a month earlier and 100.3 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Canadian Passenger Car Imports

	1974		1975		Volume %	Change Average Price %	Exchange Rate %
	Units (000)	Share %	Units (000)	Share %			
United States	495.1	74.5	552.0	81.3	11.5	20.2	4.0
Japan	104.4	15.7	71.9	10.6	-31.1	10.4	2.3
West Germany	29.3	4.4	26.9	3.9	-8.2	25.7	9.5
United Kingdom	11.6	1.7	12.8	1.9	10.3	12.3	-1.3
Other Countries	24.4	3.7	15.6	2.3	-36.1	48.1	—
All Countries	664.8	100.0	679.2	100.0	2.2	23.2	—

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1972 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Jan. 1976p	Dec. 1975r	Nov. 1975	Jan. 1975
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	7,050.1	7,279.1	7,436.2	6,398.6
Non-durable	3,824.5	4,006.8	3,979.7	3,563.7
Durable	3,225.5	3,272.4	3,456.6	2,834.9
New Orders: Total	7,012.4	7,276.0	7,356.7	6,505.1
Non-durable	3,849.0	3,988.7	4,000.1	3,586.8
Durable	3,163.4	3,287.3	3,356.6	2,918.4
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,742.3	9,780.0	9,783.1	10,437.6
Non-durable	1,260.3	1,235.8	1,253.9	1,272.7
Durable	8,482.0	8,544.2	8,529.2	9,164.9
Inventory Owned: Total	15,541.3	15,459.4	15,090.2	14,997.0
Inventory Held: Total	16,276.8	16,177.7	15,809.3	15,561.7
Raw materials	6,873.7	6,997.0	6,791.2	6,863.2
Goods in process	4,241.3	4,136.0	4,056.3	3,731.1
Finished Products	5,161.8	5,044.7	4,961.8	4,967.5
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	7,788.7	7,576.6	7,357.8	6,828.7
Non-durable	4,202.9	4,121.1	3,932.8	3,811.1
Durable	3,585.8	3,455.5	3,425.0	3,017.6
New Orders: Total	7,674.8	7,508.5	7,321.1	6,845.0
Non-durable	4,201.5	4,111.2	3,959.9	3,803.3
Durable	3,473.3	3,397.3	3,361.2	3,041.7
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,741.8	9,855.7	9,923.8	10,422.8
Non-durable	1,279.1	1,280.5	1,290.4	1,281.3
Durable	8,462.7	8,575.2	8,633.4	9,141.5
Inventory Owned: Total	15,485.1	15,545.8	15,229.7	14,941.7
Inventory Held: Total	16,266.7	16,315.3	15,904.7	15,546.3
Raw materials	6,811.4	6,891.6	6,817.8	6,802.9
Goods in process	4,284.3	4,235.5	4,022.5	3,767.5
Finished products	5,171.0	5,188.2	5,064.4	4,975.9
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.99	2.05	2.07	2.19
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.66	0.68	0.69	0.73

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Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Jan. 1976p	Dec. 1975	Not Seasonally Adjusted % change	Jan.-Dec. 1975r	Jan.-Dec. 1974	% change
	(\$ millions)					
Newfoundland	24.7	25.4	-2.7	435.2	435.4	-0.1
Nova Scotia	152.8	150.7	1.4	1,711.5	1,558.5	9.8
New Brunswick	154.7	153.1	1.0	1,702.2	1,633.1	4.2
Quebec	1,863.1	2,013.0	-7.4	23,223.8	21,901.4	6.0
Ontario	3,603.5	3,648.6	-2.1	43,466.5	40,908.1	6.3
Manitoba	193.2	207.8	-7.0	2,488.5	2,271.8	9.5
Saskatchewan	74.8	83.6	-10.5	1,024.2	1,013.5	1.1
Alberta	329.2	332.6	-1.0	3,897.8	3,362.1	15.9
British Columbia	646.4	656.6	-6.1	7,095.9	7,104.8	-0.1
Canada*	7,050.1	7,279.1	-3.1	85,143.7	80,274.6	6.1

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

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r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Oils and Fats — Manufacturer's Sales

December 1975 — Advance Information

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	1974	1975	1974	1975	1974	1975
	'000 lbs.					
Retail sales (20 lbs. or less)	17,816	22,957	2,767	5,213	4,836	5,698
Commercial sales (21-450 lbs.)	733	736	10,489	11,067	1,840	1,066
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers	7,669	10,978	885	2,838	2,653	4,941
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers	—	—	14,128	10,060	2,044	3,514

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

For further information, order December 1975 issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Tobacco Products, February 1976 — Advance Information. Production of cigarettes for February was 5.1 billion, the same as February 1975.

Production of cigars for February was 44.5 million, compared to 50.7 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Service Bulletin* (32-022, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Roundwood production decreased 58.8% to 709,082 cunits in January from 1,720,461 cunits in January 1975. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue decreased 39.0% to 1,506,245 cunits from 2,467,734 and the closing inventory of these two products increased 12.4% to 12,614,216 cunits from 11,221,140. Receipts of wood residue decreased 13.9% to 696,014 cunits from 808,793.

For further information, order the January issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, January, 1976 — Advance Information.

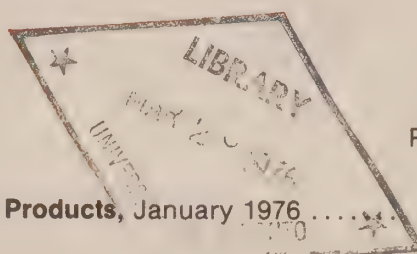
January production of rubber increased to 42,730,000 pounds (19 382 000 kilograms) from 34,168,000 pounds (15 493 000 kilograms) in January 1975. Consumption of rubber decreased to 47,257,000 pounds (21 436 000 kilograms) from 49,167,000 pounds (22 296 000 kilograms).

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Survey of Canadian Nursery Trades Industry, 1973 and 1974** (22-203, 70¢)

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

January 1976 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	32,572	29 548	613	556	33,185	30 104
Rails	25,118	22 785	8,759	7 946	33,877	30 731
Wire rods	42,018	38 119	14,054	12 750	56,072	50 869
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	47,173	42 794	7,000	6 350	54,173	49 144
Bar-sized shapes	8,351	7 575	889	806	9,240	8 381
Concrete reinforcing bars	26,837	24 345	5	5	26,842	24 350
Other hot rolled bars	74,159	67 277	3,066	2 782	77,225	70 059
Tire plates and track material	7,075	6 418	—	—	7,075	6 418
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	84,151	76 337	14,257	12 933	98,408	89 270
Hot rolled sheets	168,557	152 909	14,658	13 297	183,215	166 206
Hot rolled strip						
Cold finished bars	6,497	5 893	12	11	6,509	5 904
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	156,528	142 000	8,177	7 418	164,705	149 418
Galvanized sheets	61,275	55 590	7,097	6 439	68,372	62 029
Total	740,312	671 590	78,587	71 293	818,898	742 883

*Producer's shipments excluding producer's interchange.

For further information, order the January issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Travel to Work, October 1975.

The number of automobiles carrying Canadians to and from work increased by 391,608 or 8.6% in October 1975 compared to November 1973. The number of commuters using public transportation declined 4.5% to 1,172,583 from 1,288,266 between the same two dates.

Canadians going to and from work logged a total of 134 million miles in October 1975. This represents 15.9 million trips by individuals each day.

For further information on this survey, contact Mr. D. Higgins (613-995-9689), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Domestic Mobile Homes, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Shipments of Domestic Mobile Homes increased to 4,338 single units in the December 1975 quarter from 4,234 single units in 1974.

Shipments of double wide units increased to 1,079 in 1975 from 926 a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Fabricated Metal Products Service Bulletin* (41-009, 70¢/\$2.80) or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, March 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on March 1, totalled 34.1 million pounds compared with 45.8 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 131.0 million pounds (110.0 million in 1975).

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 20, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended March 20 totalled 277,534 short tons (251 775 metric tonnes), a decrease of 2.0% from the preceding week's total of 283,216 short tons (256 929 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 289,309 tons (262 457 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 151.5 in the current week, 154.6 a week earlier and 157.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Quebec Data

The Quebec Bureau of Statistics now stores and maintains data on CANSIM, the Statistics Canada computerized data bank. The series available include data published in the Quebec Statistical Review and principal statistics of the manufacturing industries in Quebec.

For further information, contact CANSIM (613-995-7406), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

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Copper and Nickel Production, January 1976 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Particle Board, January 1976 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Indexes of Industrial Production, January 1976 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production increased 0.7% to 115.3 in January from the revised level of 114.5 in December. The mining, manufacturing and utilities output increased during the month.

For further information, order the January issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (Including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1976 Jan.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	112.2	114.9	114.5	115.3	0.7
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	100.7	107.2	106.2	109.3	2.9
Metal mines	1.584	87.9	101.7	99.8	112.0	12.2
Mineral fuels	1.492	113.9	112.2	112.1	106.1	-5.3
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	94.4	110.1	109.5	113.5	3.7
Manufacturing industries	22.862	111.9	114.3	113.9	114.2	0.3
Food and beverage industries	3.254	109.7	111.9	113.1	113.1	—
Tobacco products industries	.212	110.9	114.0	111.5	111.8	0.3
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	126.7	127.0	125.3	125.9	0.5
Leather industries	.206	104.3	106.4	101.1	104.6	3.5
Textile industries	.756	115.9	117.6	116.7	116.5	-0.2
Knitting mills	.205	110.8	110.5	111.9	111.5	-0.4
Clothing industries	.742	107.4	107.8	107.0	108.5	1.4
Wood industries	.968	105.1	118.8	116.0	118.3	2.0
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	116.5	117.2	113.5	115.0	1.3
Paper and allied industries	1.878	80.7	85.1	82.6	86.1	4.2
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	121.2	119.0	118.1	116.3	-1.5
Primary metal industries	1.976	106.1	105.4	105.2	104.7	-0.5
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	113.8	115.3	112.2	114.3	1.9
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	138.3	136.1	134.1	134.6	0.3
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	117.1	122.0	124.9	122.9	-1.6
Electrical products industries	1.631	114.8	118.5	118.6	117.9	-0.6
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	124.5	123.9	121.5	120.4	-0.9
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	118.9	127.6	131.6	132.5	0.7
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	116.2	119.9	121.9	122.8	0.8
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	105.6	105.1	105.1	104.6	-0.5
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	130.9	130.5	130.7	132.1	1.1
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	108.1	110.2	110.0	110.7	0.6
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	115.7	118.5	117.8	117.8	—

Gas Utilities, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Canadian consumers purchased 141.4 billion cubic feet of natural gas in December, up 5.1% from 134.5 billion cubic feet a year earlier. Exports decreased to 83.2 billion cubic feet from 86.5 billion. Cumulative sales for 1975 totalled 1,324.7 billion cubic feet, an increase of 0.8% from 1,314.3 billion cubic feet in 1974.

For further information order the December issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact R. Peacock (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Retail Trade, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales were \$4,634.4 million in January, a decrease of 1.4% from \$4,701.7 million in December 1975. Sales decreased in 15 of the 28 trade groups. General merchandise stores recorded the largest increase, 37.4%, while motor vehicle dealers recorded the largest decrease, down 17.8%. Seven of the 10 provinces recorded increases in sales in January over December, ranging from a high of 7.2% for British Columbia to 2.2% for Prince Edward Island. Decreases were recorded in Nova Scotia (-0.4%), Ontario (-8.8%) and Manitoba (-0.9%).

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$3,946.3 million in January, an increase of 20.2% over January 1975. Sales increased in all 28 trade groups with the largest gains recorded by grocery, confectionery and sundries stores (34.1%) and family clothing stores (33.0%). All provinces recorded increased sales over January 1975, ranging from a high of 32.7% for Prince Edward Island to a low of 16.1% for New Brunswick. Montreal sales increased 20.7%, Toronto 17.9%, Winnipeg 22.0% and Vancouver 20.0%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences for December, was \$5,727.1 million, an increase of 24.5% from December 1974.

For further information, order the January issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Provincial Government Employment, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

The general government services in Canada's provincial and territorial governments (excluding British Columbia) reported gross payrolls for the fourth quarter of \$1,011.7 million, an increase of 2.2% over the \$990.1 million for the third quarter of 1975.

The number of employees (full-time and other) reported for the last pay period in December was 330,939, a decrease of 5.8% from 348,090 for the same pay period in September 1975.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Provincial Government Employment* (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact Mr. T.D. Harris (613-995-0676), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 19/76 This week	Mar. 12/76 Week ago	Feb. 20/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	110.3	110.7	111.5
Industrials	85	115.5	115.6	115.0
Foods	9	98.3	98.2	98.0
Alcoholic beverages	5	93.1	93.2	94.6
Textiles and clothing	3	134.9	137.4	138.5
Pulp and paper	7	160.3	158.7	158.1
Printing and publishing	5	135.2	134.8	135.9
Primary metals	4	124.2	123.4	130.1
Industrial mines	6	98.1	97.0	92.1
Metal fabricating	9	230.3	231.9	227.3
Non-metallic minerals	4	110.9	111.1	105.4
Petroleum	8	103.7	105.6	106.3
Chemicals	5	147.9	150.0	148.8
Construction	5	208.7	212.7	213.6
Trade	15	102.1	103.1	106.7
Utilities and services	28	88.7	89.3	91.5
Transportation	6	125.3	123.9	126.8
Pipelines	5	75.8	76.8	78.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.6	109.2	108.0
Telephone	4	89.4	89.9	91.9
Electric power	3	102.5	101.5	103.3
Gas distribution	5	65.1	67.1	70.6
Finances	21	117.1	118.7	124.2
Banks	8	119.1	120.2	127.4
Investment and loan	9	113.7	116.4	119.4
Insurance	4	104.8	108.1	102.9
Mining Index	17	111.6	113.2	105.1
Gold	9	182.0	185.7	166.7
Base metals	8	77.9	78.5	75.5
Uranium	2	223.2	220.9	228.0
Primary oils and gas index	5	103.0	104.7	101.6

For further information, order the March issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Concrete Products, December 1975 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, January 1976 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

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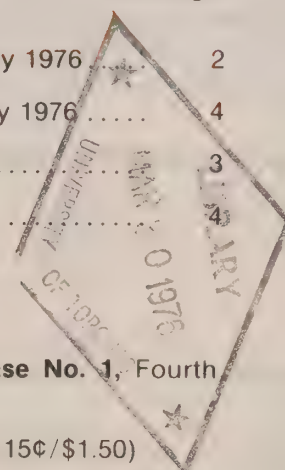
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1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for the series): Distilleries (32-206-P); Wineries (32-207-P); Confectionery Manufacturers (32-213-P); Flour and Breakfast Cereal Product Industry (32-228-P); Children's Clothing Industry (34-217-P-3); Battery Manufacturers (43-208-P); Glass Manufacturers (44-207-P-1)

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Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), January 1976 — Advance Information.

In January the Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing stood at 157.7, up 0.4% from December 1975 and 5.5% above the level a year earlier.

The latest 12-month movement marks the slowest rate of increase in the ISPI since the year ending November 1972.

The principal areas contributing to the increase in January over December were wood, notably sawmills and planing

mills which rose 3.2% to 157.1, non-metallic minerals and the chemical groups of industries. Primary metals declined due to lower prices in the non-ferrous metal industries and for iron foundries.

For further information, order the January issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50).

Industry Selling Price Index

January 1976

(1971=100)

	Index		Percentage change		
	Jan. 1976*	Dec. 1975*	Jan. 1975*	Jan./76 Dec./75	Jan./76 Jan./75
All industries	157.7	157.1	149.4	0.4	5.5
SIC major groups:					
1. Food and beverage industries	173.7	173.4	167.9	0.2	3.5
3. Rubber and plastics products industries	137.4	137.5	135.7	-0.1	1.3
4. Leather industries	152.5	151.1	142.0	0.9	7.4
5. Textile industries	138.4	137.4	131.0	0.7	5.7
6. Knitting mills	121.3	120.9	119.9	0.3	1.1
8. Wood industries	161.3	157.9	137.8	2.1	17.1
9. Furniture and fixture industries	159.1	158.2	150.2	0.6	5.9
10. Paper and allied industries	179.2	178.7	176.4	0.3	1.6
12. Primary metal industries	163.6	164.2	156.6	-0.4	4.4
13. Metal fabricating industries	157.8	157.3	145.9	0.3	8.2
16. Electrical products industries	137.9	137.7	133.8	0.1	3.1
17. Non-metallic mineral products industries	155.6	151.3	141.6	2.8	9.8
18. Petroleum and coal products industries	200.4	200.4	170.9	0.0	17.3
19. Chemical and chemical products industries	164.3	163.2	156.1	0.7	5.3
Other major groups(1)	134.4	133.9	128.5	0.3	4.5

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Included are the following major groups 2 — Tobacco products industries, 7 — Clothing industries, 14 — Machinery industries, 15 — Transportation equipment industries, 20 — Miscellaneous manufacturing industries.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended March 14, 1976 —
Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Rail loadings in Canada in the seven days totalled 4.1 million short tons (3.7 million metric tonnes), a 3.7% increase over the same 1975 week. Freight originated east of the Lakehead rose 5.7% during the current period and was up 1.1% in the West.

Piggyback movements at 169,102 short tons (153 407 metric tonnes) were down 6.9% from 1975 with most of the decline occurring in the East.

From January 1 to mid-March, railways reported 41.4 million short tons of freight loaded (37.6 million metric tonnes), down 3.3% from the 1975 level. Eastern and western shipments declined 4.9% and 1.5%, respectively.

Piggyback traffic for the year to date was 7.2% off the 1975 pace.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending March 14

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,422,136	1,690,980	4,113,116
Short tons, 1975r	2,291,639	1,673,235	3,964,874
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 197 325	1 534 031	3 731 356
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 078 940	1 517 933	3 596 873
% change	5.7	1.1	3.7
Cars, 1976	41,349	26,111	67,460
Cars, 1975r	39,444	27,075	66,519
% change	4.8	-3.6	1.4
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	124,863	44,239	169,102
Short tons, 1975r	138,033	43,626	181,659
Metric tonnes, 1976	113 274	40 133	153 407
Metric tonnes, 1975	125 221	39 577	164 798
% change	-9.5	1.4	-6.9
Cars, 1976	4,318	1,888	6,206
Cars, 1975r	4,580	2,097	6,677
% change	-5.7	-10.0	-7.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	22,207,905	19,232,019	41,439,924
Short tons, 1975r	23,344,656	19,523,370	42,868,026
Metric tonnes, 1976	20 146 673	17 446 994	37 593 667
Metric tonnes, 1975	21 177 916	17 711 303	38 889 219
% change	-4.9	-1.5	-3.3
Cars, 1976	380,679	302,023	682,702
Cars, 1975r	407,188	313,062	720,250
% change	-6.5	-3.5	-5.2
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	1,275,119	436,056	1,711,175
Short tons, 1975r	1,359,603	485,082	1,844,685
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 156 768	395 583	1 552 351
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 233 411	440 059	1 673 470
% change	-6.2	-10.1	-7.2
Cars, 1976	42,749	18,841	61,590
Cars, 1975r	47,668	23,384	71,052
% change	-10.3	-19.4	-13.3

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.
r Revised figures.

Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

February 1976 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975	% Change	
				Feb./76 Jan./76	Feb./76 Feb./75
Canada, Total	153.9	153.2	135.8	0.5	13.3
Materials	148.9	147.7	131.8	0.8	13.0
Labour	162.9	162.9	143.0	—	13.9
Atlantic Provinces, Total	162.2	161.6	144.6	0.3	12.2
Materials	151.3	150.5	136.1	0.6	11.2
Labour	180.9	180.9	159.1	—	13.7
Quebec	157.3	156.3	137.0	0.6	14.8
Materials	154.5	153.0	132.7	1.0	16.4
Labour	162.6	162.6	145.1	—	12.1
Ontario, Total	150.0	149.3	134.4	0.5	11.6
Materials	146.6	145.4	131.9	0.8	11.1
Labour	155.8	155.8	138.6	—	12.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	159.1	158.4	136.2	0.5	16.8
Materials	148.3	147.1	130.5	0.8	13.6
Labour	180.1	180.1	147.4	—	22.2
British Columbia, Total	151.8	151.1	133.9	0.5	13.4
Materials	147.4	146.4	129.1	0.7	14.2
Labour	159.6	159.6	142.4	—	20.1

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Railway Operating Statistics, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Railway operating revenues of six major railways in Canada totalled \$217.8 million in January 1976, an increase of 10.3% over the same 1975 month. Expenses were up only 8.7% to \$227.9 million and as a result the deficit for the month was reduced to \$10.0 million from \$12.0 million.

Revenue freight ton-miles in the current month rose 2.5% to 9,704.7 million and freight train miles were up slightly (0.1%) to 5.4 million. Freight car-miles at 326.2 million were 2.3% above the earlier year level.

Revenue passenger-miles rose 9.4% in January to 109.8 million and passenger car-miles rose 2.8% to 9.7 million.

For further information, order the January 1976 issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3) or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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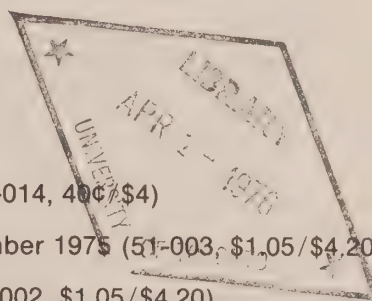
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Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, February 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat.

On a balance-of-payments basis, both exports and imports increased in February. Seasonally-adjusted exports recorded a rise from the January level of 9.5% to \$3,132 million while imports rose less than 2% to \$3,085 million. Canada's merchandise trade balance accordingly changed to a surplus of \$47 million from the revised deficit of \$167 million in January. The deficit of \$211 million for the three months ending in February contrasted with a surplus of \$89 million for the prior three-month period.

In the accompanying table, seasonally-adjusted export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment, deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

Exports (Customs Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted total exports increased 3.8% to a record high level of \$3,181 million in February. The value of shipments to the United States rose 8.1% to \$2,128 million but exports to other countries fell 3.9% to \$1,053 million. Within the overseas area, exports were higher in February than in January to Japan and the United Kingdom, but lower to other European Economic Community countries and the remaining countries.

Some 70% of the February gain in exports was due to automotive and related products. The value of crude petroleum delivered to the U.S. fell close to \$100 million in February.

In the three-month period ending in February, adjusted exports rose 8.2% to \$9,083 million from \$8,389 million in the three-month period which ended in November 1975. This gain arose from considerably higher shipments of wheat,

metallic ores, lumber, pulp and automotive goods which were only partly offset by reduced exports of crude oil, newsprint paper, non-ferrous metals and machinery.

Imports (Custom Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted imports increased 1.4% to \$3,171 million in February following a rise of 9% in January. Imports from the U.S. rose 12.2% to \$2,239 million, exceeding the high November level by some 5%. Imports from EEC countries and from Japan increased slightly in February but imports from other overseas countries declined substantially.

The increase in February imports was concentrated in automotive products and in other machinery and equipment. Automotive goods rose some \$200 million, the latter group about \$50 million. Imports of crude petroleum fell roughly \$150 million in February.

Total imports for the three-month period ended in February reached \$9,168 million, up 5% from \$8,731 million in the months of September to November. Imports from the U.S. in this period declined marginally to \$6,208 million in contrast to a sharp increase of 18% to \$2,960 million from overseas countries.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the February issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see graph on next page)

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

After-tax profits of industrial corporations, not seasonally adjusted, were \$2,475 million for the fourth quarter of 1975, an increase of \$210 million or 9.3% from the fourth quarter of 1974.

Total sales of \$56.0 billion increased \$5.5 billion or 10.9% from the revised fourth quarter of 1974. Assets increased \$5.6 billion or 3.9% over the third quarter of 1975 and \$12.7 billion or 9.2% from the fourth quarter of 1974.

These figures represent the latest data for the fourth quarter of 1975 and supersede preliminary estimates for the same period released in February 1976. These figures are also available on CANSIM.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics* (61-003, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. J.D. Wilson (613-996-2130), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



(see tables on pages 4-10)

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators were 32,161 compared to 33,362 in January 1975. Month-end stocks totalled 87,832 units, down from 119,042. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers increased to 34,858 from 33,542 and month-end stocks increased to 23,399 from 7,314.

For further information, order the January issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stoves and Ranges, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in January decreased 8.5% to 24,861 units from 27,169 units in January 1975.

Closing inventory of these products decreased 48.4% to 60,339 units from 116,971 a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis		Balance of Payments Basis				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1974							
Third Quarter	8,009	7,852	8,001	7,713	8,461	8,241	220
Fourth Quarter	8,729	8,865	8,871	8,683	8,446	8,462	-16
1975							
First Quarter	7,677	8,271	7,538	8,103	8,063	8,461	-398
Second Quarter	8,729	9,262	8,858	9,063	8,246	8,358	-112
Third Quarter	7,701	8,115	7,798	7,932	8,254	8,467	-213
Fourth Quarter	8,752	8,891	8,912	8,803	8,543	8,615	-72
1975							
September	2,743	2,825	2,811	2,750	2,895	2,825	70
October	2,980	3,100	3,057	3,011	2,796	2,774	22
November	2,861	2,984	2,983	2,918	2,884	2,887	-3
December	2,911	2,807	2,872	2,874	2,863	2,954	-91
1976							
January	2,825	2,899	2,687	2,841	2,861	3,028	-167
February	2,928	2,902	2,865	2,833	3,132	3,085	47

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A.	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
			(\$ millions)				
1974							
Third Quarter	8,371.1	6,513.1	5,608.5	311.2	2,451.4	503.7	398.3
Fourth Quarter	8,622.0	6,609.7	5,738.1	316.2	2,567.7	516.4	425.8
1975							
First Quarter	8,679.1	6,914.9	5,571.8	334.5	2,772.8	584.9	395.3
Second Quarter	8,590.9	6,615.0	5,781.5	311.7	2,497.7	511.6	297.9
Third Quarter	8,658.8	6,515.7	6,040.2	289.8	2,323.8	483.6	256.3
Fourth Quarter	8,694.8	6,451.2	6,126.7	288.8	2,279.3	498.8	268.9
1975							
September	2,905.4	2,195.6	2,070.8	97.6	737.0	144.1	84.3
October	2,877.9	2,172.4	2,016.0	110.0	751.9	166.3	92.0
November	2,947.8	2,114.5	2,135.8	88.2	723.8	158.5	93.9
December	2,869.1	2,164.3	1,974.9	90.6	803.6	174.0	83.0
1976							
January	3,127.6	2,459.2	1,994.0	95.7	1,037.9	162.7	118.8
February	3,171.4	2,361.2	2,238.9	102.3	830.2	162.7	130.1
Percent changes							
February/January	1.4	-3.9	12.2	6.8	-20.0	-0.0	9.5
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	5.0	7.7	-0.2	-2.4	20.7	6.4	22.9
Feb. 76/Feb. 75	11.2	4.0	22.6	-8.3	-9.1	-19.5	-10.9

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Feb. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,088.0	1,856.6	1,929.1	1,704.4	1,735.2	1,810.3	22.5	6.9	6.5
United Kingdom	89.5	92.4	86.0	97.5	107.4	106.1	-8.1	-13.8	-18.9
Other E.E.C.	130.6	151.5	161.0	162.3	185.5	180.1	-19.5	-18.3	-10.6
Japan	103.9	112.3	79.1	116.9	145.3	128.6	-11.1	-22.7	-38.4
Other O.E.C.D.	69.6	96.9	79.3	84.5	84.7	101.5	-17.6	14.3	-21.8
Other America	120.7	202.8	146.8	138.7	201.0	163.9	-12.9	0.8	-10.4
Other Countries	299.8	386.3	325.5	287.2	369.9	258.4	4.3	4.4	25.9
All Countries	2,902.1	2,898.8	2,806.8	2,591.5	2,829.0	2,748.9	11.9	2.4	2.1

	Year-to-Date						Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes	
	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975	Jan. 1975	Feb. 1974	Jan. 1974	76/75	75/74
United States	3,944.6	1,856.6	3,439.6	1,735.2	3,076.9	1,535.7	14.6	11.7
United Kingdom	182.0	92.4	204.8	107.4	146.5	80.0	-11.1	39.8
Other E.E.C.	282.0	151.5	347.8	185.5	232.1	124.9	-18.8	49.8
Japan	216.2	112.3	262.3	145.3	160.0	85.0	-17.5	63.9
Other O.C.D.E.	166.5	96.9	169.2	84.7	153.9	87.5	-1.5	9.9
Other America	323.5	202.8	339.8	201.0	262.9	123.7	-4.7	29.2
Other Countries	686.1	386.3	657.1	369.9	314.0	144.6	4.4	109.3
All Countries	5,800.9	2,898.8	5,420.6	2,829.0	4,346.3	2,181.4	7.0	24.7

Table 3

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	1976	1976	1975	1975	1975	1974	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	7.8	4.1	4.2	4.9	10.4	6.7	60.5	-60.6	-38.1
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	182.4	190.8	200.4	165.6	239.7	237.8	10.1	-20.4	-15.7
Meat and fish	39.3	37.5	31.6	25.6	29.1	29.3	53.3	28.8	7.7
Fruits and vegetables	58.9	62.4	62.2	53.8	62.3	62.8	9.5	0.0	-0.9
Raw sugar	16.1	11.3	24.4	3.5	70.9	48.1	358.2	-83.9	-49.3
Crude Materials, Inedible	303.9	571.3	461.6	373.4	502.0	346.1	-18.5	13.8	33.3
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	9.3	26.6	30.8	23.3	37.5	37.0	-60.2	-29.2	-16.7
Coal	1.3	42.3	61.1	17.5	28.1	22.9	-92.3	50.6	166.8
Crude petroleum	229.3	423.4	304.0	277.9	352.9	230.9	-17.4	19.9	31.6
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	495.8	534.5	475.8	461.2	557.3	540.4	7.5	-4.0	-11.9
Wood and paper	67.3	68.7	73.4	34.2	39.1	38.8	96.8	75.8	89.3
Textiles	66.5	104.8	59.9	53.5	62.0	60.5	24.3	68.8	-1.0
Chemicals	160.7	130.3	126.1	112.6	130.6	127.3	42.7	-0.2	-0.9
Iron and steel	51.5	51.8	57.9	86.5	127.4	113.3	-40.4	-59.3	-48.9
Bars and rods, steel	5.2	6.2	9.6	15.6	21.5	15.3	-66.5	-71.1	-36.9
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	16.7	15.4	18.6	26.7	52.1	51.8	-37.6	-70.4	-64.1
Non-ferrous metals	26.2	33.7	35.8	35.1	52.1	50.5	-25.3	-35.3	-29.1
End Products, Inedible	1,791.9	1,573.5	1,638.3	1,565.5	1,494.7	1,590.4	14.4	5.2	3.0
General purpose machinery	95.8	99.2	101.7	110.5	111.8	100.9	-13.2	-11.2	0.7
Special industry machinery	150.7	146.6	135.8	143.3	153.4	141.8	5.1	-4.4	-4.2
Machine tools, metalworking	11.1	12.4	12.9	14.1	15.0	16.7	-21.3	-17.3	-22.9
Agricultural machinery and tractors	97.4	95.3	96.2	93.6	83.3	79.3	4.0	14.4	21.2
Transportation equipment	869.8	671.4	789.3	677.5	604.5	772.2	28.3	11.0	2.2
Sedans, new	212.4	133.4	217.4	148.9	116.2	149.1	42.6	14.8	45.8
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	66.6	49.0	69.6	68.8	47.2	69.2	-3.1	3.9	0.6
Motor vehicle engines	43.3	35.1	45.1	26.5	31.9	37.1	63.8	10.1	21.5
Motor vehicle engine parts	40.4	30.7	27.4	26.2	22.2	27.7	54.0	38.5	-1.0
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	378.3	302.4	305.4	268.0	255.4	288.1	41.1	18.3	6.0
Aircraft, complete with engines	8.1	7.3	11.8	11.3	17.1	73.2	-27.9	-57.0	-83.8
Other equipment and tools	305.2	294.7	280.0	279.1	291.1	279.3	9.3	1.2	0.2
Electronic computers	27.7	27.8	33.1	26.6	31.6	28.6	4.1	-11.9	15.4
Special Transactions, Trade	120.3	24.7	26.4	21.0	25.0	27.2	472.8	-1.4	-3.0
Total	2,902.1	2,898.8	2,806.8	2,591.5	2,829.0	2,748.9	3.0	2.4	2.1

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Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

			Year-to-Date				Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes	
	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975	Jan. 1975	Feb. 1974	Jan. 1974	76/75	75/74
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	11.9	4.1	15.2	10.4	22.3	10.5	-21.7	-31.6
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	373.2	190.8	405.3	239.7	317.3	172.9	-7.9	27.7
Meat and fish	76.8	37.5	54.7	29.1	57.8	33.6	40.3	-5.2
Fruits and vegetables	121.2	62.4	116.1	62.3	90.3	46.0	4.4	28.5
Raw sugar	27.4	11.3	74.4	70.9	28.2	22.7	-63.1	163.5
Crude Materials, Inedible	875.2	571.3	875.4	502.0	498.8	239.7	-0.0	75.4
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	35.8	26.6	60.8	37.5	37.8	22.6	-41.0	61.1
Coal	43.7	42.3	45.6	28.1	9.5	8.9	-4.3	378.7
Crude petroleum	652.7	423.4	630.9	352.9	320.1	133.6	3.4	97.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,030.3	534.5	1,018.4	557.3	818.3	419.8	1.1	24.4
Wood and pulp	136.1	68.7	73.3	39.1	85.4	41.1	85.6	-14.1
Textiles	171.2	104.8	115.5	62.0	127.5	67.6	48.2	-9.4
Chemicals	291.0	130.3	243.2	130.6	187.1	95.5	19.6	29.9
Iron and steel	103.4	51.8	213.9	127.4	131.6	70.5	-51.6	62.4
Bars and rods, steel	11.4	6.2	37.1	21.5	27.8	13.9	-69.2	33.4
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	32.1	15.4	78.8	52.1	43.2	24.1	-59.2	82.5
Non ferrous metals	59.9	33.7	87.3	52.1	73.6	36.8	-31.3	18.6
End Products, Inedible	3,365.4	1,573.5	3,060.2	1,494.7	2,657.8	1,322.2	9.9	15.1
General purpose machinery	195.0	99.2	222.3	111.8	160.4	84.0	-12.2	38.5
Special industry machinery	297.2	146.6	296.7	153.4	210.7	110.2	0.1	40.8
Machine tools, metalwork	23.5	12.4	29.1	15.0	19.5	11.4	-19.2	49.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	192.8	95.3	176.9	83.3	104.2	52.0	8.9	69.7
Transportation equipment	1,541.2	671.4	1,282.0	604.5	1,284.4	626.7	20.2	-0.1
Sedans, new	345.8	133.4	265.1	116.2	242.5	99.0	30.4	9.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	115.6	49.0	115.9	47.2	129.7	56.7	-0.2	-10.6
Motor vehicle engines	78.5	35.1	58.3	31.9	63.7	29.9	34.4	-8.3
Motor vehicle engines parts	71.1	30.7	48.4	22.2	50.1	25.9	46.9	-3.3
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	680.6	302.4	523.4	255.4	549.7	293.3	30.0	-4.7
Aircraft, complete with engines	15.5	7.3	28.4	17.1	64.5	32.4	-45.4	-56.0
Other equipment and tools	599.9	294.7	570.2	291.1	498.2	252.1	5.2	14.4
Electronic computers	55.5	27.8	58.1	31.6	50.2	25.5	-4.6	15.9
Special Transactions, Trade	145.0	24.7	46.0	25.0	31.8	16.3	214.9	44.6
Total	5,800.9	2,898.8	5,420.6	2,829.0	4,346.3	2,181.4	2.7	24.7

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1974								
Third Quarter	8,450.2	6,901.0	6,387.2	5,678.6	499.9	2,271.7	540.1	513.6
Fourth Quarter	8,320.1	6,793.2	6,326.1	5,648.0	484.1	2,188.0	560.8	485.0
1975								
First Quarter	8,193.2	6,833.5	6,355.1	5,273.3	560.8	2,359.1	607.4	452.6
Second Quarter	8,162.7	6,552.5	5,980.7	5,072.5	440.8	2,649.4	635.7	600.7
Third Quarter	8,157.7	6,464.9	6,068.4	5,480.8	456.5	2,220.4	600.1	555.5
Fourth Quarter	8,404.3	6,819.4	6,276.3	5,753.1	347.6	2,303.6	487.8	527.5
1975								
September	2,823.9	2,292.5	2,134.6	1,846.2	160.1	817.6	239.7	216.0
October	2,783.8	2,190.7	2,009.9	1,932.8	86.5	764.5	112.2	193.2
November	2,781.7	2,268.7	2,111.5	1,921.8	117.2	742.7	179.9	118.3
December	2,838.6	2,360.1	2,154.9	1,898.4	143.9	796.3	195.6	216.0
1976								
January	3,063.6	2,435.8	2,289.2	1,967.8	127.4	968.4	231.7	235.7
February	3,180.6	2,544.1	2,327.4	2,127.6	159.9	893.1	206.1	257.5
			Percent changes					
February/January	3.8	4.4	1.6	8.1	25.5	-7.7	-11.0	9.2
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	8.2	8.7	8.2	5.1	18.5	14.3	19.1	34.4
Feb. 76/Feb. 75	15.3	9.8	7.7	19.6	-20.9	14.9	-5.4	97.2

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Feb. 1975	Jan. 1975	Dec. 1974	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,022.3	1,809.6	1,895.2	1,684.0	1,646.8	1,786.0	20.0	9.8	6.1
United Kingdom	149.6	120.7	149.7	176.4	181.5	170.6	-15.1	-33.5	-12.2
Other E.E.C.	167.0	228.1	221.2	172.5	204.5	203.2	-3.1	11.5	8.8
Japan	225.0	216.8	202.7	109.7	213.5	132.9	105.1	1.5	52.5
Other O.E.C.D.	82.0	61.6	72.0	79.7	79.4	90.6	2.8	-22.4	-20.5
Other America	96.8	122.1	107.2	140.3	147.2	148.9	-30.9	-17.0	-28.0
Other Countries	185.2	266.3	263.1	145.3	232.2	152.9	27.4	14.6	72.0
All Countries	2,927.9	2,825.2	2,911.1	2,507.9	2,705.1	2,685.1	16.7	4.4	8.4
	Year-to-Date						Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975	Jan. 1975	Feb. 1974	Jan. 1974	76/75	75/74	
United States	3,831.9	1,809.6	3,330.8	1,646.8	3,034.6	1,501.1	15.0	9.7	
United Kingdom	270.3	120.7	357.8	181.5	274.1	141.9	-24.4	30.5	
Other E.E.C.	395.1	228.1	377.0	204.5	294.0	170.7	4.8	28.2	
Japan	441.8	216.8	323.2	213.5	382.7	212.6	36.6	-15.5	
Other O.C.D.E.	143.6	61.6	159.1	79.4	148.8	81.7	-9.7	6.9	
Other America	218.9	122.1	287.5	147.2	202.4	91.5	-23.8	42.0	
Other Countries	451.4	266.3	377.5	232.2	229.3	134.0	19.5	64.6	
All Countries	5,753.0	2,825.2	5,212.9	2,705.1	4,565.9	2,333.5	10.3	14.1	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly					Year-to-Year Percent Changes			
	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	1976	1976	1975	1975	1975	1974			
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	9.6	10.0	15.8	2.6	2.7	5.8	263.5	264.2	174.2
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	317.8	353.8	403.9	222.7	383.3	298.4	42.7	-7.6	35.3
Meat and fish	51.8	45.3	46.0	37.1	40.5	41.8	39.8	11.8	10.0
Cereals and preparations	215.7	253.8	287.2	127.4	277.1	199.5	69.3	-8.4	43.9
Wheat	150.2	158.0	210.6	98.9	231.1	155.6	51.9	-31.6	35.3
Crude Materials, Inedible	625.2	739.4	794.6	617.6	716.4	686.3	1.2	3.2	15.7
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	138.3	150.8	224.8	136.1	165.8	178.8	1.6	-9.0	25.7
Crude petroleum	198.8	291.3	270.3	296.3	328.4	300.2	-32.8	-11.2	-9.9
Natural gas	133.4	136.7	132.5	83.0	63.2	63.7	60.6	116.4	108.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	896.5	847.7	733.3	836.7	866.0	860.8	7.1	-2.1	-14.8
Wood and paper	427.7	406.0	339.4	444.2	435.8	435.6	-3.6	-6.8	-22.0
Lumber, softwood	110.9	99.6	78.5	73.4	58.0	69.5	51.0	71.6	12.8
Wood pulp and similar pulp	182.5	171.2	144.6	167.7	170.2	157.6	8.7	0.6	-8.2
Newsprint paper	90.1	84.6	84.0	162.8	168.0	157.3	-44.6	-49.6	-46.5
Textiles	7.9	9.8	7.0	8.0	8.1	7.6	-0.4	21.2	-8.4
Chemicals	109.0	96.7	89.7	82.4	96.1	95.9	32.2	0.5	-6.4
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	47.4	42.2	37.5	39.0	49.3	44.7	21.2	-14.3	-15.9
Petroleum and coal products	63.1	73.4	54.0	44.0	58.6	58.3	43.4	25.4	-7.3
Iron and steel	70.0	60.1	54.7	59.5	79.1	78.4	17.7	-23.9	-30.2
Non-ferrous metals	158.5	149.1	144.7	145.5	139.7	137.5	8.9	6.7	5.2
Copper and alloys	44.9	42.6	38.8	55.4	37.0	30.8	-18.9	15.3	26.2
Nickel and alloys	29.5	23.5	22.5	33.6	40.6	32.4	-12.3	-42.2	-30.6
End Products, Inedible	994.3	815.1	898.6	760.2	671.9	761.0	30.7	21.3	18.0
Industrial machinery	67.2	67.1	72.3	76.8	80.9	72.1	-12.4	-17.0	0.1
Agricultural machinery and tractors	56.9	30.8	43.7	45.8	36.9	38.1	24.3	-16.5	14.7
Transportation equipment	689.5	581.7	635.1	505.7	419.6	498.8	36.3	38.8	27.3
Passenger automobiles and chassis	291.8	251.7	253.2	219.2	173.0	224.5	33.1	45.5	12.7
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	107.6	96.3	86.6	108.2	76.9	78.7	-0.4	25.2	10.1
Motor vehicle engines and parts	64.2	47.0	43.3	27.7	27.0	28.9	131.5	74.1	49.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	177.0	137.5	131.7	100.8	93.2	101.2	75.6	47.4	30.1
Other equipment and tools	64.0	50.0	64.0	60.4	59.9	62.0	5.9	-16.5	3.2
Special Transactions, Trade	21.8	6.0	8.9	3.2	3.1	8.1	577.1	92.2	10.0
Total	2,865.1	2,772.0	2,855.1	2,443.0	2,643.4	2,620.3	17.2	4.8	8.9

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Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes	
	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975	Jan. 1975	Feb. 1974	Jan. 1974	76/75	75/74
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	19.5	10.0	5.4	2.7	14.3	6.3	263.8	-62.4
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	671.6	353.8	605.9	383.3	495.2	276.0	10.8	22.3
Meat and fish	97.1	45.3	77.6	40.5	85.8	43.4	25.2	-9.6
Cereals and preparations	469.6	253.8	404.5	277.1	296.4	174.5	16.0	36.4
Wheat	308.2	158.0	330.0	231.1	233.2	134.7	-6.5	41.5
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,364.6	739.4	1,334.0	716.4	991.6	530.0	2.2	34.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	289.1	150.8	302.0	165.8	342.4	204.8	-4.2	-11.7
Crude petroleum	490.1	291.3	624.7	328.4	361.7	171.8	-21.5	72.7
Natural gas	270.2	136.7	146.2	63.2	73.5	37.0	84.7	99.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,744.2	847.7	1,702.7	866.0	1,577.3	788.0	2.4	7.9
Wood and paper	833.7	406.0	879.9	435.8	823.7	418.8	-5.2	6.8
Lumber, softwood	210.5	99.6	131.5	58.0	210.8	105.7	60.1	-37.6
Woodpulp and similar pulp	353.7	171.2	337.9	170.2	258.9	132.6	4.6	30.5
Newsprint paper	174.7	84.6	330.8	168.0	256.1	131.7	-47.1	29.1
Textiles	17.7	9.8	16.0	8.1	21.2	10.9	10.4	-24.1
Chemicals	205.6	96.7	178.5	96.1	134.0	69.1	15.2	33.1
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	89.6	42.2	88.3	49.3	56.1	27.7	1.3	57.5
Petroleum and coal products	136.6	73.4	102.6	58.6	95.0	38.6	33.1	8.0
Iron and steel	130.1	60.1	138.6	79.1	88.9	43.8	-6.0	55.8
Non-ferrous metals	307.6	149.1	285.2	139.7	310.4	155.9	7.8	-8.1
Copper and alloys	87.5	42.6	92.3	37.0	109.8	55.3	-5.2	-15.8
Nickel and alloys	53.0	23.5	74.3	40.6	56.4	30.9	-28.6	31.7
End Products, Inedible	1,809.4	815.1	1,432.1	671.9	1,384.8	681.6	26.3	3.4
Industrial machinery	134.3	67.1	157.7	80.9	104.1	52.6	-14.8	51.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	87.7	30.8	82.7	36.9	49.2	23.8	6.0	68.1
Transportation equipment	1,271.2	581.7	925.3	419.6	993.3	483.8	37.3	-6.8
Passenger automobiles and chassis	543.5	251.7	392.2	173.0	475.5	227.5	38.5	-17.5
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	203.9	96.3	185.1	76.9	144.2	71.3	10.1	28.3
Motor vehicle engines and parts	111.3	47.0	54.8	27.0	71.2	36.4	103.2	-23.1
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	314.5	137.5	194.0	93.2	208.2	106.4	62.1	-6.8
Other equipment and tools	113.9	50.0	120.2	59.9	97.4	51.7	-5.2	23.4
Special Transactions, Trade	27.9	6.0	6.4	3.1	8.0	5.0	337.5	-20.7
Total	5,637.1	2,772.0	5,086.4	2,643.4	4,471.1	2,286.9	10.8	13.7

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Advance Trade Information

Full details on commodity-country import trade for January are now available, in advance of the regular publication *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufacturers (\$4.90 for series): Leather Tanneries (33-202-p-1); Women's Clothing Contractors (34-217-p-2); Coffin and Casket Industry (35-210-p); Manufacturers of Lubricating Oils and Greases (45-205-p-2); Orthopaedic and Surgical Appliance Manufacturers (47-206-p-3)

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Education, Science and Culture Division (81-001, N/C), Vol. 5, No. 2, Book Publishing in Canada, 1974

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 2, Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, February 1976

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 3, No. 4, Shipments of Domestic Mobile Homes, Quarter Ended December 31, 1974 and 1975

Coal and Coke Statistics, December 1975 — Advance Information.

December coal production increased 11.9% to 2,552,547 tons from 2,281,708 tons a year earlier. Imports increased to 1,945,700 tons from 1,085,959 tons. Industrial consumers used 2,102,632 tons of coal, up 399,308 tons, and 90,827 tons of coke, down 453,359 tons.

For further information, order the December issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies decreased in December to 301,213,000 feet board measure from 308,555,000 feet in December 1974. Stocks on hand at the end of December totalled 928,997,000 feet board measure.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 15¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,407 short tons (3 998 metric tonnes) or 9,835,086 square feet (913 709 square metres) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in February compared to 4,013 short tons (3 641 metric tonnes) or 8,844,945 square feet (821 722 square metres) in February 1975.

For further information, order the February issue of *Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile — Service Bulletin* (47-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, August 1975 (26-006, 30¢/\$3)



Indexes of Real Domestic Product, January 1976 - Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product at 118.4 in January was unchanged from December. The adjusted index of industrial production advanced 0.7% to 115.3 from the revised level of 114.5 in December.

Goods-producing industries increased 0.4%, with mines, quarries and oil wells, manufacturing, utilities and construction increasing. In mining, metal mines showed the strongest growth during the month, followed by non-metal mines. Mineral fuels were down due to decreased output of crude petroleum. In manufacturing, the major increase was in pulp and paper mills with lesser increases recorded by sawmills and metal fabricating industries. Increased output in gas distribution was mainly responsible for the growth in utilities. Construction output grew due to an increase in both residential and non-residential building activity. Among the goods-producing industries registering declines in January were agriculture and forestry.

Service-producing industries remained relatively unchanged from December levels. Several conflicting movements were recorded with transportation increasing slightly and trade declining. In transportation, railway transport advanced due to increased shipments of newsprint and mineral products. In trade, wholesale trade output grew on the strength of increased sales of farm and industrial equipment and machinery. Retail trade decreased, mainly due to a decline in sales of new motor vehicles following the re-introduction in Ontario of the sales tax on new motor vehicles.

For further information, order the January issues of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1976 Advance Information.

Capital spending in Canada by all sectors of the economy during 1976 is expected to reach \$42,189 million, an increase of 11% over the 1975 level of \$38,121 million. These estimates are in current dollars without any adjustment for price increase developing between the two years. Repair expenditures on construction and machinery and equipment are excluded from this advance release but will be included in the publication to be issued in April.

The accompanying totals are normally released earlier but were delayed this year because of a later start of the survey cycle following the 1975 postal strike. These estimates are compiled expressly for early release and are subject to revisions during subsequent detailed compilations for each province now under way. Current information is, however, considered to be adequate for an indication of emerging patterns of capital spending for the year ahead.

Intended capital expenditures on new construction in 1976 are estimated at \$26,964 million, an increase of 12% over the 1975 total of \$24,006 million. Comparable rates of increases in preceding years were 16% in 1975, 22% in 1974 and 17% in 1973. The lower percentage gain for 1976 reflects the diverging patterns of residential and non-residential construction, as outlays for housing are expected to increase 23% during the year whereas non-residential construction is expected to rise only 8%. The comparable pattern during 1975 was 4% and 22% respectively. Housing estimates reflect 231,000 starts in 1975 and a projected 235,000 starts in 1976. The acquisition of new machinery and equipment during the current year is expected to amount to \$15,225 million, 8% above the \$14,115 million last year.

Capital spending intentions of the business group in 1976 are shown at \$26,338 million, 9% above the \$24,207 million last year, while intentions of institutions and government departments are estimated at \$6,986 million in 1976, less than 5% over the total of \$6,684 million in 1975.

The mining, petroleum and gas group registers the largest expansion for 1976, due mostly to expenditures by the metal mining group and by the petroleum and gas industry, which includes oil sands development. Utilities continue to reflect strength largely from capital programs for electric power, telephones and urban transit systems.

Intended capital outlays in manufacturing are shown as increasing 6% in 1976 as a result of expansions in capacity for chemicals (including industrial chemicals and heavy water), paper and non-metallic mineral products. Increases for these groups more than offset declines for industries such as transportation equipment and primary metals.

In the remainder of the business sector, the most notable increase shown is for the agriculture and fishing group at 14%. In the trade sector, wholesale trade is to rise 16% largely because of a special program of machinery and equipment acquisition in one area. Expenditures on retail installations are up 7%. The total for commercial services is estimated to decrease 9% from 1975, reflecting the concluding phase of expenditures on installations for the Olympic Games.

These advance estimates are preliminary and subject to revision during the current compilations of provincial detailed estimates for the publication *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1976* (61-205, \$1.05) to be released in April.

Summary by Sectors, Canada, 1974 to 1976 (Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Agriculture and fishing	1974	433.1	1,533.0	1,966.1
	1975	519.3	2,006.1	2,525.4
	1976	553.8	2,318.0	2,871.8
Forestry	1974	98.2	145.4	243.6
	1975	88.1	95.1	183.2
	1976	93.3	90.1	183.4
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	1974	1,586.5	448.9	2,035.4
	1975	2,001.5	628.9	2,630.4
	1976	2,754.1	704.0	3,458.1
Construction industry	1974	66.1	401.5	467.6
	1975	75.8	460.6	536.4
	1976	83.9	509.9	593.8
Manufacturing	1974	1,425.3	3,524.6	4,949.9
	1975	1,544.9	3,911.8	5,456.7
	1976	1,605.3	4,158.3	5,763.6
Utilities	1974	3,153.8	3,086.8	6,240.6
	1975	4,141.7	3,760.1	7,901.8
	1976	4,684.5	3,897.6	8,582.1
Trade, wholesale and retail	1974	391.6	588.5	980.1
	1975	330.5	600.3	930.8
	1976	331.1	690.0	1,021.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	1974	1,337.0	208.0	1,545.0
	1975	1,467.1	185.4	1,652.5
	1976	1,471.2	217.5	1,688.7

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		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub total
Commercial services	1974	455.4	1,348.7	1,804.1
	1975	841.7	1,548.1	2,389.8
	1976	521.5	1,653.9	2,175.4
Institutions	1974	1,063.5	274.6	1,338.1
	1975	1,163.6	277.3	1,440.9
	1976	1,206.9	277.0	1,483.9
Government departments	1974	3,750.6	551.2	4,301.8
	1975	4,602.1	641.3	5,243.4
	1976	4,793.5	708.7	5,502.2
Housing	1974	6,985.0	—	6,985.0
	1975	7,230.0	—	7,230.0
	1976	8,865.0	—	8,865.0
Total (items 1 to 12)	1974	20,746.1	12,111.2	32,857.3
	1975	24,006.3	14,115.0	38,121.3
	1976	26,964.1	15,225.0	42,189.1

Mining, Canada, 1974 to 1976¹

(Millions of dollars)

Mines:**Metal mines**

Gold	1974	24.5	5.9	30.4
	1975	23.9	5.7	29.6
	1976	20.1	4.2	24.3
Iron	1974	159.0	40.7	199.7
	1975	195.8	96.0	291.8
	1976	339.8	100.3	440.1
Copper-gold- silver	1974	97.7	66.7	164.4
	1975	112.2	55.5	167.7
	1976	132.8	70.7	203.5
Silver-lead- zinc	1974	38.9	13.8	52.7
	1975	54.4	27.3	81.7
	1976	49.2	37.0	86.2
Other metal mines	1974	89.5	30.8	120.3
	1975	91.4	41.5	132.9
	1976	113.2	93.4	206.6
Sub-total (items 1 to 5)	1974	409.6	157.9	567.5
	1975	477.7	226.0	703.7
	1976	655.1	305.6	960.7

Non-metal mines

Asbestos	1974	45.4	28.9	74.3
	1975	46.6	18.3	64.9
	1976	68.2	25.3	93.5
Other non-metal mines	1974	70.6	96.8	167.4
	1975	65.4	171.8	237.2
	1976	70.3	176.6	246.9
Sub-total (items 7 and 8)	1974	116.0	125.7	241.7
	1975	112.0	190.1	302.1
	1976	138.5	201.9	340.4
Total mines (items 6 and 9)	1974	525.6	283.6	809.2
	1975	589.7	416.1	1,005.8
	1976	793.6	507.5	1,301.1
Petroleum and gas	1974	1,060.9	165.3	1,226.2
	1975	1,411.8	212.8	1,624.6
	1976	1,960.5	196.5	2,157.0
Total (items 10 and 11)	1974	1,586.5	448.9	2,035.4
	1975	2,001.5	628.9	2,630.4
	1976	2,754.1	704.0	3,458.1

Manufacturing, Canada, 1974 to 1976¹

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Food and beverages	1974	139.3	278.8	418.1
	1975	118.5	279.8	398.3
	1976	119.9	275.4	395.3
Tobacco products	1974	7.1	18.6	25.7
	1975	6.0	18.3	24.3
	1976	3.6	17.9	21.5
Rubber	1974	36.1	100.3	136.4
	1975	24.4	79.3	103.7
	1976	19.4	74.1	93.5
Leather	1974	3.3	9.0	12.3
	1975	4.0	9.8	13.8
	1976	3.4	9.6	13.0
Textiles	1974	38.6	102.6	141.2
	1975	33.6	126.2	159.5
	1976	27.7	112.3	140.0
Knitting mills	1974	1.2	15.6	16.8
	1975	1.0	10.3	11.3
	1976	0.8	9.9	10.7
Clothing	1974	5.5	14.8	20.3
	1975	5.0	12.2	17.2
	1976	3.9	13.9	17.8
Wood	1974	85.5	202.0	287.5
	1975	73.4	191.0	264.4
	1976	53.0	191.5	244.5
Furniture and fixtures	1974	17.1	25.5	42.6
	1975	8.4	17.7	26.1
	1976	8.2	16.3	24.5
Paper and allied industries	1974	120.5	433.8	554.3
	1975	113.4	497.9	611.3
	1976	126.4	653.0	779.4
Printing, publish- ing and allied industries	1974	16.7	68.9	85.6
	1975	20.9	74.4	95.3
	1976	12.2	71.3	83.5
Primary metals	1974	148.0	549.7	697.7
	1975	168.9	637.6	806.5
	1976	163.9	595.1	759.0
Metal fabricating	1974	59.7	147.9	207.6
	1975	47.3	151.8	199.1
	1976	46.1	143.9	190.0
Machinery	1974	42.8	82.5	125.3
	1975	38.9	85.1	124.0
	1976	42.7	97.8	140.5
Transportation equipment	1974	102.4	199.9	302.3
	1975	69.9	195.2	265.1
	1976	50.8	159.4	210.2
Electrical products	1974	31.0	108.2	139.2
	1975	32.6	101.1	133.7
	1976	31.7	129.2	160.9
Non-metallic mineral products	1974	29.5	144.7	174.2
	1975	38.3	156.2	194.5
	1976	59.2	185.9	245.1
Petroleum and coal products	1974	321.7	107.8	429.5
	1975	349.5	105.5	455.0
	1976	328.7	115.3	444.0

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		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Chemical and chemical products	1974	198.7	381.1	579.8
	1975	382.9	597.7	980.6
	1976	491.6	681.4	1,173.0
Miscellaneous	1974	20.6	33.8	54.4
	1975	8.3	28.3	36.6
	1976	12.1	30.3	42.4
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1974		499.1	499.1
	1975		536.4	536.4
	1976		574.8	574.8
Total (items 1 to 21)	1974	1,425.3	3,524.6	4,949.9
	1975	1,544.9	3,911.8	5,456.7
	1976	1,605.3	4,158.3	5,763.6

Utilities, Canada, 1974 to 1976¹

(Millions of dollars)

Transportation:

Air transport	1974	20.7	352.2	372.9
	1975	32.8	224.8	257.6
	1976	38.1	90.8	128.9
Railway transport	1974	284.6	163.1	447.7
	1975	356.5	383.9	740.4
	1976	425.8	220.9	646.7
Water transport and services	1974	67.7	95.5	163.2
	1975	51.4	79.9	131.3
	1976	47.5	93.9	141.4
Motor-transport	1974	31.6	164.0	195.6
	1975	21.6	116.6	138.2
	1976	40.1	117.5	157.6
Urban transit systems	1974	73.2	54.1	127.3
	1975	166.3	105.0	271.3
	1976	255.8	154.8	410.6
Pipelines	1974	236.4	25.1	261.5
	1975	312.8	40.4	353.2
	1976	302.6	59.3	361.9
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1974	—	22.1	22.1
	1975	—	23.1	23.1
	1976	—	22.3	22.3
Sub-total (items 1 to 7)	1974	714.2	876.1	1,590.3
	1975	941.4	973.7	1,915.1
	1976	1,109.9	759.5	1,869.4
Communication Broadcasting	1974	51.7	77.5	129.2
	1975	52.9	87.4	140.3
	1976	52.4	102.5	154.9
Telephone and telegraph	1974	508.7	981.4	1,490.1
	1975	508.7	1,157.3	1,666.0
	1976	572.0	1,299.9	1,871.9
Capital items charg- ed to operating ex- penses	1974	—	18.7	18.7
	1975	—	21.1	21.1
	1976	—	24.0	24.0
Sub-total (items 9 to 11)	1974	560.4	1,077.6	1,638.0
	1975	561.6	1,265.8	1,827.4
	1976	624.4	1,426.4	2,050.8
Miscellaneous utilities				
Grain elevators	1974	10.4	8.0	18.4
	1975	15.7	16.8	32.5
	1976	19.9	28.4	48.3

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Electric power	1974	1,699.5	1,053.7	2,753.2
	1975	2,462.3	1,435.6	3,897.9
	1976	2,758.3	1,609.1	4,367.4
Gas distribution	1974	147.9	43.8	191.7
	1975	142.8	37.4	180.2
	1976	148.4	40.5	188.9
Other utilities	1974	21.4	11.0	32.4
	1975	17.9	9.3	27.2
	1976	23.6	9.4	33.0
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1974		16.6	16.6
	1975		21.5	21.5
	1976		24.3	24.3
Sub-total (items 13 to 17)	1974	1,879.2	1,133.1	3,012.3
	1975	2,638.7	1,520.6	4,159.3
	1976	2,950.2	1,711.7	4,661.9
Total (items 8, 12 and 18)	1974	3,153.8	3,086.8	6,240.6
	1975	4,141.7	3,760.1	7,901.8
	1976	4,684.5	3,897.6	8,582.1

Trade, Finance and Commercial, Canada, 1974 to 1976¹

(Millions of dollars)

Trade:

Wholesale	1974	99.4	124.5	223.9
	1975	105.9	163.8	269.7
	1976	108.5	204.0	312.5
Chain stores	1974	91.2	150.7	241.9
	1975	65.0	128.8	193.8
	1976	63.9	146.9	210.8
Independent stores	1974	43.5	64.9	108.4
	1975	31.5	52.7	84.2
	1976	30.1	60.4	90.5
Department stores	1974	73.1	85.7	158.8
	1975	46.2	83.2	129.4
	1976	43.0	89.1	132.1
Automotive trade	1974	84.4	110.8	195.2
	1975	81.9	119.5	201.4
	1976	85.6	130.6	216.2
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1974		51.9	51.9
	1975		52.3	52.3
	1976		59.0	59.0
Sub-total (items 1 to 6)	1974	391.6	588.5	980.1
	1975	330.5	600.3	930.8
	1976	331.1	690.0	1,021.1
Finance:				
Banks	1974	82.3	78.7	161.0
	1975	94.1	52.2	146.3
	1976	134.9	94.8	229.7
Insurance, trust and loan companies	1974	45.6	32.4	78.0
	1975	50.6	30.7	81.3
	1976	52.7	22.3	75.0
Other finance	1974	1,209.1	96.9	1,306.0
	1975	1,322.4	102.5	1,424.9
	1976	1,283.6	100.4	1,384.0

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		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Sub-total (items 8 to 10)	1974	1,337.0	208.0	1,545.0
	1975	1,467.1	185.4	1,652.5
	1976	1,471.2	217.5	1,688.7
Commercial services:				
Laudries and dry cleaners	1974	3.3	8.9	12.2
	1975	2.8	7.7	10.5
	1976	1.3	5.6	6.9
Motion picture theatres	1974	4.8	2.9	7.7
	1975	5.4	2.7	8.1
	1976	11.4	4.3	15.7
Hotels	1974	225.3	39.6	264.9
	1975	152.8	40.0	192.8
	1976	103.5	25.3	128.8
Other commercial services	1974	222.0	1,297.3	1,519.3
	1975	680.7	1,497.7	2,178.4
	1976	405.3	1,618.7	2,024.0
Sub-total (items 12 to 15)	1974	455.4	1,348.7	1,804.1
	1975	841.7	1,548.1	2,389.8
	1976	521.5	1,653.9	2,175.4
Total (items 7, 11 and 16)	1974	2,184.0	2,145.2	4,329.2
	1975	2,639.3	2,333.8	4,973.1
	1976	2,323.8	2,561.4	4,885.2

Institutions and Government Departments, Canada 1974 to 1976¹

(Millions of dollars)

Institutions:				
Churches	1974	18.2	2.0	20.2
	1975	24.9	2.7	27.6
	1976	28.1	2.7	30.8
Universities	1974	102.9	57.9	160.8
	1975	131.9	57.2	189.1
	1976	133.3	53.9	187.2
Schools	1974	591.2	92.2	683.4
	1975	629.6	98.2	727.8
	1976	629.8	108.1	737.9
Hospitals	1974	302.1	112.2	414.3
	1975	314.3	111.1	425.4
	1976	363.8	104.6	468.4
Other institutions	1974	49.1	10.3	59.4
	1975	62.9	8.1	71.0
	1976	51.9	7.7	59.6
Sub-total (items 1 to 5)	1974	1,063.5	274.6	1,338.1
	1975	1,163.6	277.3	1,440.9
	1976	1,206.9	277.0	1,483.9
Government departments:				
Federal	1974	602.1	284.3	886.4
	1975	699.9	348.2	1,048.1
	1976	762.4	440.0	1,202.4
Provincial	1974	1,654.8	152.3	1,807.1
	1975	2,108.4	146.7	2,255.1
	1976	2,145.3	149.3	2,294.6
Municipal	1974	1,493.7	114.6	1,608.3
	1975	1,793.8	146.4	1,940.2
	1976	1,885.8	119.4	2,005.2
Sub-total (items 7 to 9)	1974	3,750.6	551.2	4,301.8
	1975	4,602.1	641.3	5,243.4
	1976	4,793.5	708.7	5,502.2

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Total (items 6 and 10)	1974	4,814.1	825.8	5,639.9
	1975	5,765.7	918.6	6,684.3
	1976	6,000.4	985.7	6,986.1

¹ Actual expenditures 1974, preliminary actual 1975, intentions 1976.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39 100), January 1976 — Advance Information

The general wholesale price index rose 0.2% to 501.7 in January from the revised December index of 500.8. It was 3.5% higher than a year earlier. Five of the eight major groups increased while two decreased and one remained unchanged.

Increases in cement of 13.4%, crushed stone 10.9%, building stone 7.6% and plaster 4.0% were responsible for an increase of 1.1% to 416.7 from the revised December index of 412.2 in the non-metallic minerals group index. An increase of 1.9% in the price of tinplate and galvanized sheets moved the iron products group index up 0.8%. In the vegetable products group potatoes increased 30.9% and fresh vegetables 12.9%, contributing to a 0.8% advance in the index. The wood products group index rose 0.6% mainly as a result of higher prices for spruce of 6.0% and cedar of 3.4%. Increases were also evident in the textile products group where a 10.5% increase in the prices of synthetic thread moved the index up 0.1%.

Lower prices for livestock, down 5.1%, fresh meats, down 4.0%, and cured meats, down 1.9%, accounted for a decrease of 1.6% in the animal products group. The chemical products group index was down 0.2% due to lower prices for soap and detergents (-3.4%) and organic chemicals (-3.4%). The non-ferrous metals group index was unchanged.

(see table on next page)

Motor Vehicle Shipments, February 1976 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 95,120 units in February compared to 77,151 units in February 1975. January to February production was 194,039 units compared to 141,809 units a year earlier. All commercial vehicles totalled 40,780 units compared to 29,890. Production in 1976 to date was 79,644 units compared to 57,262 units in 1975.

For further information order the February issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Salt, February 1976 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine increased to 726,403 short tons in February from 588,945 short tons a year earlier. This brought 1976 output to 1,390,944 short tons from 1,345,768 short tons a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39 100)

	Jan. * 1976	Dec. * 1975	Jan 1975	Dec. 1974	% Change	
					Jan 76 Dec. 75	Jan. 76 Jan 75
General wholesale index	501.7	500.8r	484.7	483.0	0.2	3.5
Vegetable products	461.0	457.5r	519.5r	540.2	0.8	-11.3
Animal products	554.8	563.7r	503.8r	508.4	-1.6	10.1
Textile products	422.6	422.0r	402.4r	405.3	0.1	5.0
Wood products	655.8	652.2r	604.4r	569.6	0.6	8.5
Iron products	541.9	537.7	482.9	479.8	0.8	12.2
Non-ferrous metals including gold	416.1	416.0	413.5r	414.2		0.6
Non-metallic minerals	416.7	412.2r	320.7r	355.1	1.1	12.4
Chemical products	387.6	388.2r	376.5r	359.9	-0.2	2.9
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	569.2	566.7r	530.7	529.4	0.4	7.3
Raw and partly manufactured goods	476.7	477.4r	476.1r	486.3	-0.1	0.1
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	515.2	514.4r	491.2r	481.0	0.2	4.9

* These indexes are preliminary

Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 1976 - Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 26/76 This week	Mar. 19/76 Week ago	Feb. 27/76 Month ago
		1971	100	
Investors Index	134	110.5	110.3	112.8
Industrials	85	116.0	115.5	116.6
Foods	9	98.7	98.3	99.0
Alcoholic beverages	5	89.9	93.1	95.4
Textiles and clothing	3	135.8	134.9	141.5
Pulp and paper	7	160.3	160.3	159.1
Printing and publishing	5	138.2	135.2	137.0
Primary metals	4	122.4	124.2	129.6
Industrial mines	6	99.4	98.1	94.0
Metal fabricating	9	228.2	230.3	228.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	113.4	110.9	107.8
Petroleum	8	106.0	103.7	109.2
Chemicals	5	145.9	147.9	148.7
Construction	5	206.4	208.7	215.5
Trade	15	101.4	102.1	107.9
Utilities and services	28	88.4	88.7	91.8
Transportation	6	123.4	125.3	126.6
Pipelines	5	75.1	75.8	78.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.7	106.6	109.2
Telephone	4	89.7	89.4	92.5
Electric power	3	104.0	102.5	102.1
Gas distribution	5	65.4	65.1	71.4
Finances	21	116.4	117.1	126.1
Banks	8	119.1	119.1	129.7
Investment and loan	9	111.8	113.7	120.5
Insurance	4	100.5	104.8	102.4
Mining Index	17	111.2	111.6	108.1
Gold	9	178.8	182.0	174.7
Base metals	8	78.8	77.9	76.1
Uraniums	2	223.3	223.2	226.8
Primary oils and gas index	5	101.2	103.0	103.3

For further information, order the March issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971 = 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1976 Jan.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	116.2	117.3	118.4	118.4	—
Agriculture	3.371	80.3	83.1	83.5	81.7	-2.2
Forestry	.715	76.4	70.0	85.1	78.0	-8.3
Fishing and Trapping	.181	65.3	78.5	94.8	83.9	-11.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	100.7	107.2	106.2	109.3	2.9
Manufacturing industries	22.862	111.9	114.3	113.9	114.2	0.3
Construction industry	6.990	108.8	112.7	114.5	115.5	0.9
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	124.0	121.9	127.0	126.6	-0.3
Transportation	5.874	117.2	117.7	117.9	118.5	0.5
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	161.7	162.7	167.7	167.0	-0.4
Railway transport	1.700	107.8	109.8	106.8	108.9	2.0
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	134.6	126.4	139.3	120.2	-13.7
Urban transit systems	.250	111.0	115.6	112.2	116.1	3.5
Pipeline transport	.489	126.4	125.7	127.9	125.9	-1.6
Storage	.258	104.9	102.5	99.2	97.9	-1.3
Grain elevators	.177	102.8	98.3	94.4	91.4	-3.2
Communication	2.964	139.2	131.7	147.4	145.0	-1.6
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	130.9	130.5	130.7	132.1	1.1
Trade	11.367	119.2	120.3	123.9	123.3	-0.5
Wholesale trade	4.509	116.2	115.9	118.7	120.9	1.8
Wholesale merchants	3.242	118.5	118.2	121.1	122.5	1.2
Retail trade	6.858	121.1	123.2	127.4	124.8	-2.0
Food stores	1.368	107.5	110.7	112.3	110.8	-1.3
General merchandise stores	1.562	131.8	128.6	132.7	130.6	-1.5
Department stores	.927	145.8	140.1	146.9	145.0	-1.3
Other general merchandise stores	.635	111.4	111.8	111.9	109.7	-2.0
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	146.0	156.5	171.6	147.4	-14.1
Clothing stores	.462	117.8	123.0	126.4	131.6	4.1
Hardware stores	.098	108.6	105.5	110.8	108.9	-1.7
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	117.0	125.8	125.5	122.3	-2.6
Drug stores	.290	114.9	119.5	127.1	124.2	-2.3
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	123.7	124.0	124.5	124.7	0.1
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	121.3	121.6	121.5	121.4	-0.1
Education and related services	6.509	111.1	110.9	110.7	110.8	0.1
Health and welfare service	5.272	127.1	127.6	128.0	128.0	—
Amusement and recreation services	.427	139.5	142.9	144.3	143.1	-0.8
Services to business management	2.311	128.3	128.8	127.6	127.5	-0.1
Personal services	1.000	106.3	107.8	108.4	108.5	0.1
Accommodation and food services	2.799	128.5	128.5	128.8	128.1	-0.5
Public administration and defence	7.388	120.4	120.4	120.2	120.0	-0.2
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	112.2	114.9	114.5	115.3	0.7
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	117.4	118.5	119.6	119.7	0.1
Goods-producing industries	40.754	108.2	110.9	111.3	111.8	0.4
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	110.7	113.5	113.9	114.5	0.5
Service-producing industries	59.246	121.7	121.7	123.3	123.0	-0.2
Commercial industries	81.341	116.2	117.7	119.0	119.1	0.1
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	117.8	119.2	120.6	120.7	0.1
Non-commercial industries	18.659	115.9	115.8	115.7	115.6	-0.1
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	108.1	110.2	110.0	110.7	0.6
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	115.7	118.5	117.8	117.8	—

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Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, January 1976 (41-006, 15¢/\$1.50)

Products Made From Canadian Clays, January 1976 (44-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, January 1976 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Poultry Processors (32-227-P); Foundation Garment Industry (34-212-P); Office Furniture Manufacturers (35-212-P)

Service Bulletins

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile (47-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 2, Floor Tiles, February 1976

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, February 1976: No. 6, Oil Filters and Cartridges; No. 8, Sanitaryware

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended March 21, 1976 —
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Canada's railways loaded 4.2 million short tons of revenue freight (3.8 million metric tonnes) in the week, an increase of 8.7% over the same 1975 period. The volume originated east of the Lakehead rose 2.4%. In the West loadings were up 18.7%.

Piggyback traffic dropped 27.9% in the current seven days, due mainly to a 35.0% decline in eastern movements.

From January 1 to March 21 rail carload traffic was 2.6% below the 1975 level and piggyback shipments were down 9.4%.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Tobacco and Tobacco Products, Fourth Quarter 1975 —
Advance Information.

Stocks of unmanufactured tobacco (domestic and imported) held in December amounted to 209 million pounds (95 million kilograms) compared to 180 million pounds (82 million kilograms) in December 1974.

For more information, order the Fourth Quarter issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics* (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact R.T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending March 21

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,396,890	1,764,488	4,161,378
Short tons, 1975r	2,341,815	1,486,875	3,828,690
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 174 422	1 600 717	3 775 139
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 124 459	1 348 870	3 473 329
% change	2.4	18.7	8.7
Cars, 1976	40,323	26,707	67,030
Cars, 1975r	40,878	24,854	65,732
% change	-1.4	7.5	2.0
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	105,334	43,368	148,702
Short tons, 1975r	162,133	43,985	206,118
Metric tonnes, 1976	95 557	39 343	134 900
Metric tonnes, 1975	147 085	39 903	186 988
% change	-35.0	-1.4	-27.9
Cars, 1976	3,868	1,848	5,716
Cars, 1975r	4,802	2,117	6,919
% change	-19.5	-12.7	-17.4
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	24,596,391	20,872,437	45,468,828**
Short tons, 1975r	25,686,471	21,010,245	46,696,716
Metric tonnes, 1976	22 313 471	18 935 156	41 248 627
Metric tonnes, 1975	23 302 375	19 060 174	42 362 549
% change	-4.2	-0.7	-2.6
Cars, 1976	420,802	326,618	747,420**
Cars, 1975r	448,066	337,916	785,982
% change	-6.1	-3.3	-4.9
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	1,379,748	478,322	1,858,070**
Short tons, 1975r	1,521,736	529,067	2,050,803
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 251 686	433 926	1 685 612
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 380 496	479 962	1 860 458
% change	-9.3	-9.6	-9.4
Cars, 1976	46,544	20,571	67,115**
Cars, 1975r	52,470	25,501	77,971
% change	-11.3	-19.3	-13.9

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

r Revised figures.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian egg production declined 3.3% to 35.3 million dozen in February from 36.5 million a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 7.7% to 23.3 million from 25.2 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 4.7% to 1,819 from 1,737. Farm price of eggs sold for market was up 12.7% to 63.0¢ a dozen from 55.9¢.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact S.M. Ashraf (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,343,166,000 square feet of corrugated boxes and wrappers in February, an increase of 25.3% over the 1,071,590,000 square feet in February 1975.

For further information, order the February issue of *Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Dairy Review, January 1976 — Advance Information.

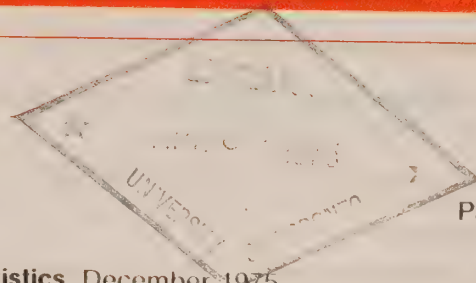
Canadian Dairy farmers produced 1,222.5 million pounds of milk for all purposes in January 1976 compared with 1,057.4 million pounds in January 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 20¢/\$2), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Crop Report

The second of a series of 20 telegraphic crop reports for 1976, this one covering intended acreage of principal field crops, is available at 3 p.m. EST today from the Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Statistics Canada Annual Report, 1974-1975 (11-201, N/C)

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Preliminary Bulletin:

1974 Census of Manufactures — (\$4.90 for series): Hosiery Mills (34-215-p-1)

Service Bulletin:

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 2, Railway Operating Statistics, January 1976

Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics, December 1975.

The number of beneficiaries receiving unemployment insurance benefits in December increased 14% to 703,000 from 615,000 in November — males by 20% and females by 8%. Quebec and Ontario combined had 65% of the beneficiaries, the western provinces 18% and the Atlantic provinces 16%. The distribution was virtually the same as in November.

Net unemployment insurance benefits in December rose 34% to \$280 million from \$209 million in November and were 71% greater than \$164 million in December 1974. The average weekly benefit in December advanced to \$89.00, 13% more than a year earlier. Net payments for the calendar year increased 48% to \$3,146 million from \$2,119 million for the same period in 1974.

Claims received by UIC offices were 335,000, up 29% from the previous month and 1% from December 1974. For the calendar year, claims filed numbered 2,857,000, 19% greater than in 1974.

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Department Store Sales and Stocks, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Department store sales were \$396.1 million in January, an increase of 19.0% from \$332.8 million in January 1975.

Sales rose in 35 of the 40 departments. The largest sales increases were recorded by furs (60.4%) and meals and lunches (53.5%). All provinces reported increased sales, ranging from a high of 33.8% for Saskatchewan to 10.6% for Newfoundland. Montreal sales rose 25.9%, Toronto 10.8%, Winnipeg 16.3% and Vancouver 9.4%.

The selling value of stocks held in January was \$1,470.4 million, an increase of 24.6% over January 1975. Inventories increased in 38 departments with the largest registered by jewellery (61.7%) and women's and misses' sportswear (58.0%). The only decreases were recorded by repairs and services, down 63.8%, and plumbing, heating and building materials, down 24.5%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

New Motor Vehicle Sales, February 1976 — Advance Information.

The number of new motor vehicles sold in February reached 82,546 units, down 9.6% from a year earlier. This included 49,234 passenger cars (down 15.9%) and 23,187 commercial vehicles (up 16.1%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 9,235 passenger cars (down 20.9%) and 890 commercial vehicles (down 18.6%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 4.6% to \$502.5 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$282.5 million (down 1.6%) and commercial vehicles for \$171.5 million (up 23.1%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas decreased 10.1% to \$44.3 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 3.3% to \$4.1 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 355 units of coaches and buses valued at \$9.8 million.

Seasonally adjusted February sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 12.7% from January to 61,444 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 15.0% to 11,046 units. Similarly adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 14.9% to 27,621 units.

For the first two months, total sales reached 152,787 units (164,921 in 1975) with an accumulated value of \$915.4 million. This represented an increase of 7.4% in value over sales for the corresponding period the previous year. U2

For further information, order the February issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9304), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	Dec. 1974	To Date		% Change From		
				1975	1974	Nov. 1975	Dec. 1974	12 Months 1975/74
Benefit Payments								
Gross amount (\$000)	281,833p	209,853	165,203	3,159,280	2,131,411	34	71	48
Net amount (1) (\$000)	280,391p	209,183	164,449	3,146,137	2,119,213	34	71	48
Weeks of benefit (000)	3,167	2,384	2,094	37,327	28,461	33	51	31
Average weekly benefit (\$)	89.00p	88.01	78.90	84.64	74.89	1	13	13
Claims received (000)	335	259	332	2,857	2,410	29	1	19
Beneficiaries (000)	703p	615p	14
Claimants (2) at month end (000)	1,066p	925	910	1,049(3)	828(3)	15	17	27

(1) After cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments.

(2) These figures are overstated in terms of active files. If claimants do not report that they became re-employed, a period of 5 weeks is allowed to elapse before their claims are transferred to the inactive file.

(3) Monthly average.

p Preliminary figures.

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Note: The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

For further information, order the December 1975 issue of *Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, 40¢/\$4) or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Power Laundries, Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Plants, 1974 — Advance Information.

There were 2,643 power laundries, dry cleaning and dyeing plants operating in Canada in 1974, an increase of 4.8% from the 1973 total of 2,532. Receipts of these establishments totalled \$321.8 million (up 13.9% from \$282.4 million in 1973) and consisted of \$151.0 million from power laundries and \$170.8 million from dry cleaning and dyeing plants. The number of persons employed full-time by these establishments as of the last week of September totalled 22,811 (up 2.9% from 22,167 in 1973) — 10,573 employees in power laundries and 12,238 in dry cleaning and dyeing plants.

For further information order *Power Laundries, Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Plants, 1974* (63-205, 70¢), or contact S. Beyer (613-996-9301), Service Trades Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 776.1 million feet board measure of lumber and ties in January compared to 541.3 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3); or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Summer School Directory

A directory of intersession and summer school courses offered by 53 Canadian universities in 1976 has been compiled by Statistics Canada in co-operation with the Canadian Association for University Continuing Education. It provides starting dates, length and costs of available courses, cross-indexed by subject matter and by institution. Also included is a list of universities offering summer courses.

Copies are being sent to all participating institutions and can also be obtained from the Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Imports by Countries, January-December 1975 (65-006, \$2.10/\$8.40)

Department Store Sales and Stocks, December 1975 (63-002, 40¢/\$4)

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, March 1976 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Asbestos, February 1976 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Motor Vehicle Shipments, February 1976 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Vegetable Oil Mills, 1974 (32-223, 70¢)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for the series): Fibre and Filament Yarn Manufacturers (34-208-p-1); Other Knitting Mills (34-215-p-3)

Service Bulletins:

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 4, No. 17, Tobacco Stocks — Stocks of Unmanufactured Tobacco in Canada, December 31, 1975

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 5, February 1976: No. 7, Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools; No. 9, Builders and Shelf Hardware

Employment, Earnings and Hours, January 1976 Seasonally-adjusted — Advance Information.

The first estimate of the Canada industrial composite index of employment (1961 100) showed a 0.1% decline from December to January. Declines in mining, manufacturing, construction and service more than offset rises in the remaining industry divisions. Employment advanced in the Atlantic region, Ontario and British Columbia. Quebec and the Prairie region showed decreases.

Average weekly earnings remained virtually unchanged at the Canada industrial composite level in January. Gains in the Prairie region and British Columbia were offset by decreases in the three remaining regions.

Average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage-earners increased in mining and declined in construction and manufacturing in January, while average hourly earnings rose in all three industry divisions.

Preliminary data for December showed a 2.0% jump in the national industrial composite employment index. The largest element of this increase was the rise in transportation, communication and other utilities owing to the resolution of industrial disputes in the post office. The substantial increase in construction employment was in all five regions and was mainly associated with a changing employment pattern during the Christmas period. Compared with December 1974, employment was down 0.8% at the Canada industrial composite level.

Average weekly earnings rose 1.6% at the Canada industrial composite level from November to December. Gains were recorded in all industry divisions except forestry and transportation, communication and other utilities. The reduction in forestry mainly reflected decreases in hours paid, while that for transportation, communication and other utilities was largely the result of the rise in employment in the post office, where earnings are below the industry average. Compared with December 1974, average weekly earnings were up 14.9% at the national industrial composite level. This compares with rises of 13.6% in November and 13.3% in October.

From November to December, average weekly hours declined in mining and increased in manufacturing and construction. The large rise in hours paid in construction was mainly associated with changing employment patterns resulting from a growing tendency for employers to provide paid holidays for their employees in the last pay period of December. Average hourly earnings increased in mining and manufacturing from November to December. A decline was recorded in construction.

Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration

and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for November and December will be published in the January issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on pages 3, 4, 5)

Seasonally-adjusted Employment Indexes (1971 100), January 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table presents seasonally-adjusted employment indexes with a 1971 base period for selected industries at the Canada level. These indexes have been arithmetically converted from 1961-based data contained in *Employment, Earnings and Hours*, (72-002, 70¢/\$7). The seasonal factors used to derive these adjusted data are the same as those used for the 1961 data.

For further information concerning these series, contact Mr. G. L. Cohen (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see table page 6)

Production of Poultry and Eggs, 1975 -- Advance Information.

Poultry meat production decreased 13.4% to 896,263,000 pounds in 1975 from 1,034,769,000 pounds in 1974 (eviscerated weight). Production of fowl and chicken meat, accounting for the major part of total output, decreased to 696,304,000 pounds from 781,377,000. Output of turkey meat decreased to 189,572,000 pounds from 241,942,000, goose meat to 2,105,000 pounds from 3,705,000 and duck meat increased to 8,282,000 pounds from 7,745,000.

For further information, order the 1975 issue of *Production of Poultry and Eggs* (23-202, 70¢), or contact S.M. Ashraf (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Iron Ore, February 1976 -- Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 1,377,217 short tons of iron ore in February compared to 1,893,110 short tons in February 1975. This brought 1976 output to 2,162,559 short tons from 2,822,625 short tons a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data

January 1976

Industry Division and Area	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	Jan.	Dec.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	1976f	1975p	1975p	1975p	1975	1974	1976f	1975p	1975p	1975p
					1961	100				
Industry Division:										
Forestry		57.4	67.5	78.6	77.2	84.3		61.1	63.7	69.2
Mining	116.0	116.6	116.5	113.3	114.9	115.4	117.9	118.7	116.8	114.0
Manufacturing	123.7	123.6	126.2	126.9	125.2	128.4	126.4	126.5	126.1	125.4
Durables	138.4	138.7	140.9	141.2	137.9	144.0	140.4	140.9	140.5	139.5
Non-durables	111.8	111.4	114.2	115.4	115.0	115.8	115.1	115.1	114.4	114.2
Construction	99.9	109.5	123.0	129.2	101.2	106.8	116.8	125.5	119.1	116.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	123.9	124.7	116.2	118.0	124.3	125.0	127.2	126.0	115.7	116.6
Trade	170.1	177.1	176.1	173.5	166.7	175.2	172.4	169.6	169.0	170.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	177.3	177.5	177.2	177.1	170.3	170.8	178.8	178.4	177.6	177.4
Service	227.4	228.7	233.6	236.9	218.8	220.3	237.6	239.7	237.0	236.8
Industrial Composite	138.3	140.3	141.1	142.0	138.0	141.4	142.5	142.7	139.9	139.6
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	125.6	128.5	132.8	137.8	126.1	131.1	134.0	133.1	131.1	133.4
Newfoundland	123.9	128.9	134.8	146.8	126.4	136.7	135.1	134.8	132.3	139.9
Prince Edward Island	126.1	135.1	140.8	156.9	132.1	139.0	143.2	142.5	137.6	147.5
Nova Scotia	125.0	128.1	130.4	131.7	124.6	127.6	131.4	130.9	129.1	129.3
New Brunswick	127.5	128.1	133.6	137.3	127.1	131.5	136.5	133.5	131.7	133.3
Quebec	126.0	128.1	128.8	130.2	125.5	127.8	130.0	130.6	127.3	127.1
Ontario	141.5	143.0	143.2	143.5	142.6	146.4	144.4	144.3	141.9	141.5
Prairie Region	147.3	150.2	151.2	151.8	142.4	145.6	152.6	153.5	151.0	150.0
Manitoba	124.2	127.3	129.7	131.3	127.3	129.6	127.9	129.7	128.9	129.3
Saskatchewan	137.5	141.3	139.6	138.0	129.2	132.3	144.3	144.9	138.9	136.0
Alberta	170.7	173.0	174.0	174.7	161.5	164.3	176.5	177.3	174.4	173.0
British Columbia	159.6	161.7	161.9	162.1	158.9	163.0	160.6	165.2	161.3	159.8
Yukon	173.3	178.1	182.4	190.7	179.5	181.6	187.3	187.4	183.7	187.3
Northwest Territories	140.3	140.3	149.5	151.0	144.0	146.0	157.2	157.2	158.3	151.8
Canada	138.3	140.3	141.1	142.0	138.0	141.4	142.5	140.3	139.9	139.6

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price IndexesFebruary 1976 — Advance Information
(1961 = 100)

	% Change				
	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975	Feb./76 Jan./76	Feb./76 Feb./75
Total Index	267.5	267.1	238.9	0.1	12.0
Materials	204.8	204.1	191.3	0.3	7.1
Steel and Metal Work	221.6	221.6	212.9	-	4.1
Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment	188.9	188.1	181.9	0.5	3.8
Electrical Equipment	148.7	149.8	151.1	-0.7	-1.6
Concrete Products	219.5	219.4	198.4	-	10.6
Lumber and Lumber Products	244.6	242.3	215.5	0.9	13.5
Other	202.4	200.8	182.1	0.8	11.1
Labour	344.4	344.4	301.9	-	14.1

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Employment, Earnings and Hours Data (continued)

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally-adjusted			
	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	Jan.	Dec.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	1976f	1975p	1975p	1975p	1975	1974	1976f	1975p	1975p	1975p
						dollars				
Industry Division:										
Forestry		219.75	263.33	265.10	245.16	200.85		237.41	254.20	256.73
Mining	306.68	296.64	299.72	297.29	263.29	257.52	302.54	297.20	295.93	295.63
Manufacturing	228.48	222.08	224.35	222.87	202.66	192.61	227.16	227.03	222.83	220.38
Durables	243.17	235.64	240.42	239.90	214.55	202.61	242.37	243.61	238.63	235.87
Non-durables	213.75	208.40	208.28	205.99	191.10	182.53	212.60	211.12	207.55	205.50
Construction	305.06	288.26	315.91	314.72	267.48	238.28	306.01	319.54	309.53	306.68
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	243.72	244.58	250.87	245.56	222.10	215.12	244.90	243.78	251.25	245.61
Trade	169.17	168.27	162.49	162.23	148.18	146.78	170.60	169.75	165.27	164.30
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	204.68	201.73	197.62	197.86	185.53	179.46	203.99	202.54	199.82	199.96
Service	157.87	154.72	150.33	148.07	136.09	132.49	156.80	155.29	150.35	148.26
Industrial Composite	215.65	211.27	213.20	212.05	192.08	183.91	216.23	216.35	212.84	210.26
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	192.80	187.81	187.90	187.06	172.61	161.35	190.40	191.29	187.69	186.44
Newfoundland	207.43	201.55	203.87	205.87	188.74	172.24	207.14	208.28	204.07	203.41
Prince Edward Island	168.76	161.72	159.31	155.53	144.67	135.34				
Nova Scotia	183.48	178.59	178.58	176.11	164.46	155.64	181.72	182.57	178.60	175.85
New Brunswick	196.70	192.40	191.11	189.89	174.41	162.06	195.31	192.42	190.10	191.15
Quebec	209.05	206.32	208.46	207.91	187.85	179.34	210.04	210.32	207.53	205.91
Ontario	216.99	212.44	215.11	213.65	193.97	186.29	217.03	218.13	215.17	211.87
Prairie Region	211.15	207.15	207.13	206.70	184.34	176.64	212.38	211.42	207.21	205.88
Manitoba	197.50	194.76	191.09	194.35	174.28	167.60	199.19	197.97	191.22	193.77
Saskatchewan	202.32	198.65	199.46	198.05	175.17	169.53	204.26	199.87	198.67	196.89
Alberta	222.37	217.62	217.85	217.27	194.04	184.96	223.08	223.13	218.16	216.10
British Columbia	246.22	238.51	240.97	239.63	216.16	208.08	248.51	244.55	239.49	236.41
Yukon	297.41	287.41	295.73	292.81	274.00	268.38				
Northwest Territories	272.39	267.19	284.12	281.54	264.55	265.64				
Canada	215.65	211.27	213.20	212.05	192.08	183.91	216.23	216.35	212.84	210.26

Employment, Earnings and Hours Data (continued)

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally-adjusted			
	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	Jan.	Dec.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	1976f	1975p	1975p	1975p	1975	1974	1976f	1975p	1975p	1975p
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining	40.9	39.2	40.7	40.8	40.6	39.8	40.4	39.7	40.0	40.4
Manufacturing	38.5	37.6	38.9	39.1	38.7	36.8	38.5	39.2	38.4	38.5
Durables	39.0	38.1	39.6	39.8	39.2	37.1	39.0	39.9	39.1	39.1
Non-durables	38.0	37.0	38.2	38.4	38.1	36.4	38.0	38.3	37.7	38.0
Construction	37.5	36.3	39.6	40.4	38.0	34.4	38.6	41.8	39.3	39.0
Building	37.1	35.1	38.3	38.2	36.9	33.5	37.8	39.8	37.6	37.0
Engineering	38.6	38.7	42.1	44.4	40.8	36.5	40.1	45.9	42.5	42.5
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	37.6	36.7	38.0	38.0	38.9	36.2	37.2	38.5	37.9	38.0
Quebec	38.9	37.8	39.4	39.8	39.2	36.9	38.9	39.7	38.7	39.1
Ontario	38.9	38.1	39.4	39.5	38.8	37.2	39.0	39.6	39.0	38.9
Prairie Region	37.2	36.4	37.5	37.6	37.4	36.1	37.3	37.2	37.0	37.1
British Columbia	36.8	35.5	36.5	36.4	36.7	34.9	36.5	36.5	36.0	36.2
dollars										
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining	7.06	7.03	6.94	6.88	5.99	5.98	7.04	6.96	6.91	6.88
Manufacturing	5.41	5.35	5.28	5.24	4.77	4.71	5.39	5.33	5.29	5.22
Durables	5.81	5.72	5.68	5.66	5.07	4.98	5.78	5.75	5.69	5.62
Non durables	4.97	4.94	4.84	4.77	4.46	4.40	4.96	4.88	4.86	4.79
Construction	8.20	7.93	8.16	7.93	7.04	6.75	8.08	7.97	8.05	7.91
Building	8.40	8.20	8.31	8.08	7.16	6.91	8.31	8.24	8.20	8.04
Engineering	7.69	7.39	7.87	7.68	6.77	6.39	7.65	7.54	7.84	7.66
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	4.78	4.85	4.73	4.72	4.52	4.37	4.66	4.65	4.68	4.72
Quebec	4.88	4.83	4.74	4.70	4.27	4.19	4.89	4.81	4.75	4.71
Ontario	5.52	5.43	5.42	5.39	4.88	4.83	5.49	5.44	5.43	5.39
Prairie Region	5.50	5.46	5.39	5.36	4.74	4.66	5.53	5.48	5.40	5.33
British Columbia	7.11	7.09	6.86	6.73	6.26	6.19	7.08	7.04	6.84	6.68

... figures not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Employment Indexes, Selected Industries, Canada

(1971 = 100)

(Seasonally-Adjusted)

Industry (1960 S.I.C.)	1971 percentage weights	Oct. 1975	Nov 1975	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1976
Industrial Composite	100.00	109.0	109.2	111.5	111.3
Forestry	1.21	87.7	80.7	77.4	..
Mining, including milling	3.16	99.2	101.7	103.3	102.7
Manufacturing	39.54	102.8	103.3	103.7	103.5
Durable Goods	19.14	105.6	106.4	106.6	106.3
Non-Durable Goods	20.39	100.1	100.3	100.9	101.0
Construction	5.85	100.5	102.4	108.0	100.6
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	16.01	101.7	100.8	109.8	110.6
Transportation	9.53	105.1	103.8	103.7	..
Storage	0.38	97.8	100.7	99.5	..
Communication	3.96	85.8	86.2	124.5	..
Electric Power, Gas and Water	2.15	117.9	117.3	114.8	..
Trade	17.58	120.8	119.8	120.3	122.3
Wholesale Trade	5.84	118.7	117.5	118.8	118.7
Retail Trade	11.73	121.9	120.9	121.4	123.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	6.65	121.9	122.0	122.7	122.9
Service	10.01	127.9	127.8	129.3	128.1
Recreational Services	1.04	126.8	127.8	127.4	..
Business Services	2.31	139.2	138.5	140.3	..
Personal Services	4.68	121.9	121.7	123.1	..

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Air Carrier Operations in Canada, July-September 1975 (51-002, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Railway Operating Statistics, January 1976 (52-003, 30¢/\$3)

Commercial Failures, Under the Bankruptcy and Winding-up Acts, Fourth Quarter 1975 (61-002, 70¢/\$2.80)

Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses, 1975 (32-217, 70¢)

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Mineral Wool, February 1976 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, January 1976 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gypsum Products, February 1976 (44-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Oil Burners and Oil-Fired Hot Water Heaters, February 1976 (41-008, 15¢ \$1 50)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, February 1976 (36-004, 15¢ /\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Folding Carton and Set-up Box Manufacturers (36-214-p); Clock and Watch Manufacturers (47-206-p-2)

Service Bulletin:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 23, Pack of Processed Corn, 1975

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), February 1976
— Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available.

- The following observations apply to the data in this release:
- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
 - Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.

- Revenue vehicle miles run in a revenue service includes miles run empty which were necessary to provide the revenue service.
- For further information, contact the Chief, Surface Transport Section (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural) 1976

	Year-to-date	January	February
		Number	
Carriers Reporting*	19	19	19
Revenue Earned:		Dollars	
Intercity & Rural Services**	16,649,004	7,913,067	8,735,937
Urban-Suburban Services	46,122	23,151	22,971
Other Services (e.g. charter)	1,991,385	733,557	1,257,828
Fare Passengers Carried:		Number	
Intercity & Rural Services**	5,017,733	2,453,010	2,564,723
Urban-Suburban Services	116,989	59,075	57,914
Other Services (e.g. charter)	163,642	46,398	117,244
Vehicle Miles:		Number	
Intercity & Rural Services**	17,516,403	8,614,280	8,902,123
Urban-Suburban Services	65,695	34,757	30,938
Other Services (e.g. charter)	1,805,282	739,701	1,065,581
Fuel Consumed:		Gallons	
Diesel Oil	2,907,219	1,439,841	1,467,378
Gasoline	3,821	1,941	1,880

* Data for one passenger bus carrier were not available at the time of this release.
** Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

Merchandising Inventories, January 1976 — Advance Information

Inventories held by wholesale merchants increased 2.1% in January to \$6,235.6 million, a level 2.0% higher than January 1975. Department store stocks rose 6.9% to \$1,430.8 million, up 21.2% from January 1975. Stocks of retail chain stores declined 3.3% to \$2,009.3 million, up 11.1%. Percentage changes in the inventory levels of selected groups of independent retail stores are available for the final quarter of 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *Merchandising Inventories* (63-014, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Urban Transit, February 1976 — Advance Information.

In February 37 urban transit systems collected 93,080,155 initial passenger fares. Their vehicles travelled 26,173,213 vehicle miles and operating revenues amounted to \$28,853,964.

For further information, order the February issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Chief, Surface Transport Section (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 3, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended April 3 totalled 275,247 short tons (249,700 metric tonnes), an increase of 3.0% from the preceding week's total of 267,415 short tons (242,595 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 283,461 tons (257,151 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166,221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 150.2 in the current week, 145.9 a week earlier and 154.7 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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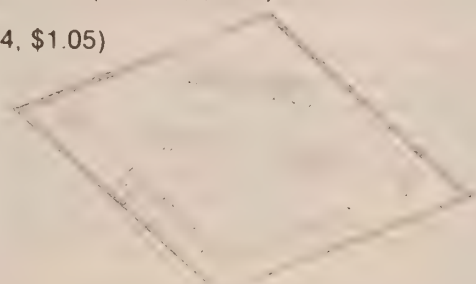
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Canadian Statistical Review, March 1976 (11-003E, 70¢/\$7)

Manufacturing Industries of Canada: Sub-provincial Areas, 1972 (31-209, \$4.50)

Literary and Journalistic Awards in Canada, 1923-1973 (81-407, \$3.50)

Traveller Accommodation Statistics, 1973 (63-204, \$1.05)



Consumer Price Movements, March 1976.

The all-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971 = 100) advanced 0.4% to 146.2 in March from 145.6 in February, the fourth consecutive month in which moderately low increases have been registered. Higher charges for housing as well as those for transportation were to a large extent responsible for this latest rise. The food index declined for the fourth consecutive month, the latest decrease being 0.7%, while the index for all items excluding food advanced 0.8%. From March 1975 to March 1976, the total CPI increased 9.0%.

The latest monthly decrease in the food index was again largely the result of lower meat prices, notably those for beef, which decreased 6.1%, and pork products, down 1.9%. Fresh vegetable prices were also down as were those for soft drinks for home consumption. Partially offsetting these declines were higher prices for poultry, fresh fruit and restaurant meals. As a result of these four consecutive monthly declines, the index for food for home consumption in March displayed its lowest year-to-year movement in more than four years, standing 6.0% above its level of 12 months earlier.

Higher charges for both owned and rented accommodation and increased electricity rates in some Ontario centres were notable contributing factors to the 0.8% rise in the index for all items excluding food, as were higher prices for appliances and appliance repairs. Increased automobile insurance rates in some western provinces and higher local transit fares in many Ontario cities also had a large impact. Higher clothing prices for both men's and women's wear were also reported.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, declined 0.1% in the latest month while that for services increased 1.0%. Between March 1975 and March 1976, the price level of services has increased 12.8% in comparison to a 6.8% rise for goods.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 0.5% from February to March. This included a 0.5% decline in the food index and a 0.8% increase in the index for all items excluding foods.

In March, the current annual rate of change in the CPI, based on the seasonally-adjusted movement since three months, was 5.7%, up somewhat from the previous month.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All-items		Food		All-items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted
1973						
May	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8
June	0.9	0.7	1.9	1.6	0.6	0.5
July	0.9	0.5	1.9	0.9	0.5	0.3
August	1.3	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.5	0.6
September	0.6	1.0	0.9	2.0	0.5	0.6
October	0.3	0.5	-0.3	0.6	0.6	0.4
November	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.6	0.5	0.7
December	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7
1974						
January	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.5
February	1.0	1.1	2.3	1.9	0.5	0.8
March	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.5	0.8	0.7
April	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.0	1.0	1.0
May	1.6	1.6	2.9	2.8	1.2	1.1
June	1.3	1.1	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.3
July	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.5
August	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.2	0.8	0.9
September	0.6	0.9	0.4	1.4	0.6	0.7
October	0.9	1.2	1.4	2.3	0.7	0.7
November	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.1
December	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.6	0.8	0.9
1975						
January	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.6
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.8
March	0.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.5
June	1.5	1.4	3.2	3.0	0.8	0.8
July	1.4	1.0	2.3	1.2	1.0	0.9
August	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.9
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.2	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.4	1.1	1.0
November	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.0
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.6
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.4	0.8	0.9
February	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.8	0.7	0.7
March	0.4	0.5	-0.7	-0.5	0.8	0.8

* Due to roundings, slight variations (never exceeding 0.1) may exist between the percentage change figures shown here and those previously published on a 1961 = 100 time reference base.

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes		% Change		% Contribution to total change		
		1976		1975		March 1976 from		
		Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb. 1976	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.
All items	100	146.2	145.6	134.1	0.4	9.0	100	100
Food	28	165.1	166.3	154.7	-0.7	6.7	-53	21
All items excluding food	72	139.5	138.4	127.0	0.8	9.8	153	79
Housing	32	144.1	143.3	129.6	0.6	11.2	52	39
Clothing	10	130.3	128.9	124.2	1.1	4.9	28	5
Transportation	14	140.8	139.0	124.3	1.3	13.3	54	21
Health and personal care	4	141.0	140.7	128.4	0.2	9.8	2	5
Recreation, education and reading	6	133.7	133.0	125.0	0.5	7.0	8	5
Tobacco and alcohol	6	129.2	128.5	122.4	0.5	5.6	9	4
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	--	0.68	0.69	0.75				
All items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961 100		195.0						

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1975.

Local Government Finance, 1973 — Advance Information.

Actual general revenue raised by local governments in 1973 from their own sources — real property and other taxes, sales of service, licenses, permits and other charges — increased 9.5% over 1972 to \$5,125 million. Transfers from other governments amounted to \$4,880 million or 46.6% of total general revenue. The significant portions of these transfers were the specific purpose transfers from provincial and territorial governments amounting to \$4,298 million, an increase of 5.4% over the corresponding figure for 1972. Total general revenue at \$10,500 million increased \$922 million or 9.6% over the total general revenue for 1972.

General expenditure at \$11,248 million in 1973 showed an increase of 9.6% over the 1972 expenditure. Education expenditure at \$4,726 million resulted in an increase of 2.6% over that of 1972 and represented 42.0% of the total expenditure. The 1973 expenditure on Transportation and Communications represented 12.0% of the total general expenditure, while fiscal services represented 9.2%, environment 8.0%, protection of persons and property 8.0% and other functions of expenditure slightly smaller percentages.

Further details of these and other financial management statistics of local governments will be published in *Local Government Finance, Actual, 1973* (68-204, \$1.05). Pending release of the publication, further information can be obtained from G.A. Marr (613-995-0713), Local Government Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Dairy Statistics, 1975 — Advance Information.

Milk production in Canada in 1975 was estimated at 17.7 billion pounds, 5.1% above the revised estimate of 1974. The farm value of all milk produced in 1975 amounted to \$1,482 million, an increase of 25.6% over 1974.

For further information, order the 1975 issue of *Dairy Statistics* (23-201, 70¢), or contact C.M. Rlach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Mineral Production, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Primary mineral production for February and 1976 to date, with comparable 1975 figures in brackets:

- Gold: 133,463 troy ounces; 282,410 troy ounces (133,288; 262,686).
- Silver: 3,149,195 troy ounces; 6,592,396 troy ounces (3,125,330; 6,255,987).
- Refined lead: 17,846 tons; 37,216 tons (17,119; 36,656).
- Refined zinc: 10,228 tons; 19,716 tons (8,139; 18,279).
- Primary copper: 54,693 tons; 130,296 tons (67,509; 123,341).
- Primary nickel: 20,740 tons; 43,456 tons (24,761; 49,802).

For further information, order the February issues of *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50), *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50) and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Estimates of Labour Income, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Labour income, adjusted for seasonal variations, was estimated at \$7,745.5 million in January, an increase of \$81.2 million or 1.1% from December 1975. Approximately 40% of this advance was due to increased employer premiums to public pension and welfare plans. Wages and salaries in the goods-producing industries advanced 0.2% and those in the service-producing industries by 1.0%.

Unadjusted for seasonal variations, the January estimate of labour income showed an increase of 12.9% over January 1975.

Further details will be published in the January issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, 40¢/\$4), and additional information can be obtained on request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Jan. 1976f	Dec. 1975p	Nov. 1975p	Jan. 1975
	(\$ millions)			
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	40.7	45.3	53.3	33.3
Forestry	52.3	49.9	64.0	64.7
Mining	180.9	181.0	179.0	154.7
Manufacturing	1,648.3	1,629.0	1,649.1	1,495.1
Construction	507.8	533.0	630.4	450.5
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	755.5	746.8	730.3	694.1
Trade	1,019.4	1,071.8	1,028.2	887.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	427.7	420.7	412.4	370.3
Service	1,737.3	1,729.7	1,719.6	1,508.6
Public Administration and Defence(1)	604.1	639.1	610.5	525.7
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	6,976.3	7,035.2	7,081.1	6,187.7
Supplementary Labour Income	551.8	446.6	461.0	482.6
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,528.2	7,481.8	7,542.1	6,670.3
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	64.7	62.3	61.3	51.3
Forestry	59.1	55.3	57.6	73.1
Mining	181.1	183.6	178.4	155.0
Manufacturing	1,683.0	1,660.9	1,636.7	1,526.4
Construction	614.2	633.9	615.2	544.8
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	782.2	754.9	731.4	718.8
Trade	1,043.9	1,033.7	1,002.3	908.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	430.2	425.6	417.4	372.4
Service	1,727.9	1,697.5	1,687.8	1,499.8
Public Administration and Defence(1)	616.9	644.4	621.6	536.7
Total, Wages and Salaries	7,209.5	7,159.2	7,016.0	6,396.8
Supplementary Labour Income	536.0	505.1	499.1	457.9
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,745.5	7,664.3	7,515.1	6,854.7

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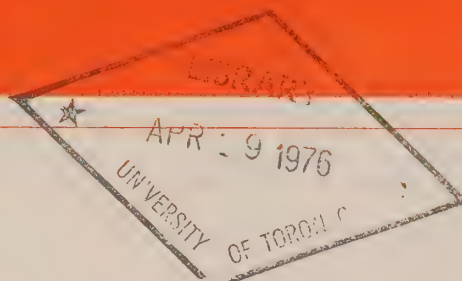
(1) Excludes military pay and allowances.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

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Advance Trade Information

Full details on commodity-country export trade for February are now available, in advance of the regular publication *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information request to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Provincial Government Employment, October-December 1975 (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Federal Government Employment, July-September 1975 (72-004, 70¢/\$2.80)

Gas Utilities, December 1975 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, January 1976 (55-001, 30¢/\$3)

Footwear Statistics, January 1976 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

Specified Chemicals, February 1976 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asphalt Roofing, February 1976 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cordage and Twine Industry, 1974 (34-203, 70¢)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, February 1976 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary statistics for February show that 1.4 million United States visitors entered Canada, down 0.2% from February 1975. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.0 million, an increase of 17.1% over last year. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. increased 2.6% to 35,900 while Canadian travellers returning from countries other than the U.S. rose 17.7% to 144,600.

For further information, order the February issue of *International Travel, Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Logging, 1974 — Advance Information.

In 1974 the logging industries shipped \$2,733 million worth of forest products, an increase of 9.6% over 1973.

Quantities of roundwood produced in 1974 amounted to 48,708,900 cunits, a decrease of 4.1% over 1973 (50,784,580 cunits).

The value added by logging activity increased 12.1%, from \$1,089 million in 1973 to \$1,221 million in 1974. Total activity value added amounted to \$1,245 million in 1974. The number of employees increased from 57,586 in 1973 to 59,489 in 1974, salaries and wages increased 18.4% to \$717 million.

For further information, order the 1974 issue of *Logging* (25-201, 70¢), or contact C.F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Forestry Section, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sugar Sales, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 76 835 585 kilograms (169,391,728 lbs.) of all types of sugar in March, 73 204 047 kilograms (161,385,639 lbs.) in domestic sales and 3 631 538 kilograms (8,006,089 lbs.) in export sales.

For further information, order the March issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50).

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of television sets were 28,716 colour sets in February and 3,946 black-and-white sets. A year earlier, sales were 30,348 and 6,000.

Sales of record players were 4,237 this year and 2,785 one year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

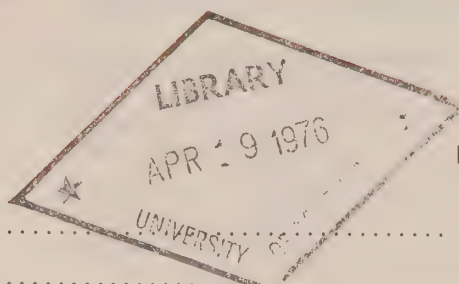
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Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, Fourth Quarter 1975 (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Quarterly Survey of Trusteed Pension Plans, 3rd and 4th Quarter 1975 (74-001, 35¢/\$1.40)

Stoves and Furnaces, January 1976 (41-005, 30¢/\$3)

The Sugar Situation, February 1976 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Miscellaneous Food Preparations, Quarter Ended December 31, 1975 (32-018, 35¢/\$1.40)

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, February 1976 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, February 1976 (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gold Production, February 1976 (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cement, February 1976 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, February 1976 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Products Shipped by Canadian Manufacturers, 1971 (31-211, \$2.80)

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Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for the series): Embroidery, Pleating and Hemstitching Manufacturers (34-210-p-3); Hardwood Flooring Plants (35-205-p-2); Miscellaneous Paper Converters (36-206-p); Railroad Rolling Stock Industry (42-211-p); Manufacturers of Electric Wire and Cable (43-209-p); Signs and Displays Industry (47-209-p)

Service Bulletin:

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 5, No. 10, Domestic and Farm Water Systems, February 1976

Corporation Financial Statistics, 1974 — Advance Information.

Selected financial items and ratios on corporations reporting assets of \$5 million or more in 1974 are now available. The information has been compiled from corporation returns tabulated as of the end of March 1976. While the data are preliminary and incomplete, they provide an advance indication for some selected industries.

Further information will be available in *Corporation Financial Statistics, 1974* (61-207, \$3.50) but for advance information contact E.A. Hubley (613-996-5980), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, K1A 0T6.

Particle Board, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian firms produced 43,597,000 sq. ft. (5/8" basis) of particle board in February compared to 26,025,000 sq. ft. in February 1975, an increase of 68%.

For further information, order the February issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stoves and Ranges, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in February decreased 1.1% to 30,941 units from 31,278 units in February 1975.

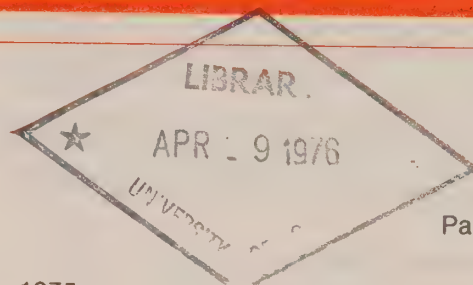
Closing inventory of these products decreased 44.2% to 67,068 units from 120,225.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Financial Flow Accounts, Preliminary Data, Advance Release No. 2, Fourth Quarter 1975 (13-002-P, N/C)

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Restaurant Statistics, February 1976 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Railway Carloadings, February 1976 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)



Financial Flow Accounts, Fourth Quarter and Annual 1975 — Advance Information.

The accompanying table highlights certain aspects of credit market activity in Canada. The principal aggregates in the table are total funds raised by and supplied to non-financial borrowers. The purpose of these aggregates is to obtain a measure of the flow of credit through conventional market-oriented credit channels which avoids double counting with respect to the financial intermediary system. In order to avoid double counting related to the intermediation process, the measure of total borrowing is restricted to the non-financial sectors of the economy. By definition total funds raised equals total funds supplied and the flow of credit has been measured in the table at the point of the ultimate recipient as well as at the point of the immediate (as opposed to ultimate) lending sector.

While total funds and total funds supplied are the principal macro-financial aggregates in the financial market summary table, it is useful to break these aggregates down into a number of sub-aggregates. In the summary measures table

presented here, total funds raised is broken down by principal borrowing sector and instrument while total funds supplied is broken down by immediate lending sector and instrument.

The table also relates the flow of final credit raised by non-financial sectors to the flow of final goods and services produced as well as providing a breakdown of total borrowing into short- and long-term forms. In providing a breakdown into short-term and long-term financing, it is assumed that there is a relatively close relationship between term to maturity and type of instrument which is not entirely true in practice. Despite shortcomings of this nature, the table is indicative of certain broad trends in financing activity.

These advance estimates are preliminary and are subject to revision. Additional information on financing activity in Canada is available in the advance releases of *Financial Flow Accounts* (13-002, \$1.75/\$7), while detailed time-series data is available on CANSIM. The main financial flow publication, to be released at a later date, contains for the first time preliminary estimates of outstanding final assets and liabilities for the major sectors in system.

Financial Market Summary, 1975

	1974					1975				
	Q.I	Q.II	Q.III	Q.IV	Annual	Q.I	Q.II	Q.III	Q.IV	Annual
	(millions of dollars)									
Total funds raised by non-residential sectors	5,801	7,224	5,396	12,173	30,594	5,914	7,922	6,802	12,047	32,685
Persons and unincorporated business	2,677	3,842	3,030	3,984	13,533	594	3,988	3,942	4,187	12,711
Consumer credit	342	1,212	607	705	2,866	155	1,104	895	988	3,142
Bank loans	40	389	437	959	1,825	-564	502	678	1,256	1,872
Other loans	676	62	147	841	1,726	-149	203	-15	-129	-90
Mortgages	1,595	2,169	1,825	1,453	7,042	1,123	2,178	2,372	2,049	7,722
Bonds	24	10	14	26	74	29	1	12	23	65
Non-financial enterprises	1,988	2,064	1,135	1,875	7,062	2,351	1,669	770	1,222	6,012
Bank loans	990	1,242	279	406	2,917	576	362	200	283	1,421
Other loans	100	323	-25	234	632	452	92	3	346	893
Finance and other short-term paper	531	-147	197	202	783	360	179	-160	-76	303
Mortgages	86	130	76	215	507	29	29	116	171	345
Bonds	151	424	469	391	1,435	725	751	369	271	2,116
Stocks	130	92	139	427	788	209	256	242	227	934
General Government	906	1,013	737	5,871	8,527	2,712	1,758	1,876	6,162	12,508
Bank loans	-163	401	109	-117	230	1,170	88	-246	-248	764
Other loans	127	177	-19	278	563	131	-57	66	277	417
Treasury bills	215	245	345	135	940	—	165	245	161	571
Finance and other short-term paper	13	-80	-72	35	-104	412	-94	271	102	691
Mortgages	14	11	32	17	74	33	32	20	18	103
Bonds	694	229	311	5,521	6,755	966	1,574	1,520	5,852	9,912
Stocks	6	30	31	2	69	—	50	—	—	50
Rest of the world	230	305	494	443	1,472	257	507	214	476	1,454
Bank loans	101	88	199	199	587	25	253	75	286	639
Other loans	153	265	256	226	900	197	266	164	102	729
Stocks	-24	-48	39	18	-15	35	-12	-25	88	86
Total funds supplied	5,801	7,224	5,396	12,173	30,594	5,914	7,922	6,802	12,047	32,685
General government	749	861	1,005	1,154	3,769	1,065	1,138	1,203	1,077	4,483
Central bank	183	126	335	467	1,111	22	222	551	-48	747
Chartered banks	2,011	3,238	2,075	2,995	10,319	1,309	2,556	1,465	3,232	8,562
Other private financial institutions	2,395	2,193	1,562	1,946	8,096	2,820	2,566	2,310	1,554	9,250
Rest of the world	723	376	567	750	2,416	971	1,016	739	2,319	5,045
Non-financial enterprises	-11	78	66	162	295	-309	-124	306	632	505
Persons and unincorporated business	-249	352	-214	4,699	4,588	36	548	228	3,281	4,093
Total borrowing as per cent of gross national product	18.6	21.3	13.8	33.1	21.7	17.3	21.4	15.8	29.7	21.1
Total shorter term(1)	2,820	3,481	1,950	8,060	16,311	2,529	2,890	2,011	6,586	14,016
Total longer term	2,981	3,743	3,446	4,113	14,283	3,385	5,032	4,791	5,461	18,669

(1) Canada Savings Bonds are included in the total shorter term.

Indexes of Industrial Production, February 1976 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production increased 1.2% to 116.8 in February from the revised level of 115.4 in January. Manufacturing and utilities contributed to this increase while mining decreased 0.7%.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

For further information, order the February issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

	1971 percentage weight	1975		1976		% Change
		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	114.9	114.9	115.4	116.8	1.2
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	107.2	106.3	109.0	108.3	-0.7
Metal mines	1.584	101.7	99.8	111.5	110.1	-1.2
Mineral fuels	1.492	112.2	112.5	106.7	105.8	-0.8
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	110.1	109.5	113.5	113.2	-0.3
Manufacturing industries	22.862	114.3	114.4	114.4	116.2	1.6
Food and beverage industries	3.254	112.5	113.5	113.3	114.3	0.9
Tobacco products industries	.212	114.0	111.5	111.8	111.3	-0.4
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	126.9	124.9	124.3	130.0	4.6
Leather industries	.206	105.6	100.6	103.2	102.4	-0.8
Textile industries	.756	116.0	114.0	115.0	115.7	0.6
Knitting mills	.205	109.8	111.1	108.2	109.0	0.7
Clothing industries	.742	108.0	107.2	109.3	110.1	0.7
Wood industries	.968	118.1	116.9	120.0	124.6	3.9
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	116.3	116.8	117.3	118.6	1.1
Paper and allied industries	1.878	85.4	82.9	87.2	96.2	10.3
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	118.7	119.8	118.9	119.3	0.3
Primary metal industries	1.976	105.4	105.1	104.5	106.8	2.2
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	115.4	114.8	115.3	116.5	1.1
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	136.1	136.3	133.4	135.0	1.2
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	122.2	124.3	123.4	123.1	-0.2
Electrical products industries	1.631	118.2	118.9	118.1	120.3	1.8
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	124.2	121.9	116.5	117.5	0.8
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	127.6	131.6	132.5	129.1	-2.6
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	120.2	122.4	122.8	122.4	-0.3
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	105.6	106.4	105.4	106.4	0.9
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.9	130.7	132.2	133.0	0.6
Special Industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	110.3	110.3	111.1	113.2	1.9
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	118.4	118.6	117.8	119.3	1.3

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 10, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended April 10 totalled 280,699 short tons (254 646 metric tonnes), an increase of 2.0% from the preceding week's total of 275,247 short tons (249 700 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 294,780 tons (267 420 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 153.2 in the current week, 150.2 a week earlier and 160.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in January to 314,406,000 feet board measure from 312,798,000 feet in January 1975. Stocks on hand at the end of January totalled 959,417,000 feet board measure.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 15¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Both import and export price indexes increased in January compared with December 1975. However, on the basis of a comparison of three-month moving averages, both indexes stood only 5% above their year-earlier levels.

Seasonally-adjusted January import and export volumes remained at about the same level as in December 1975. On a year-over-year basis, export volume showed an increase for the first time since October 1974.

For further information, order the February issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Export and Import Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities

Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975		
November	154.3	174.9
December	160.0	178.5
1976		
January	165.7	184.5

Change from same period*
12 months earlier

	%	%
1975		
August	15.0	6.8
September	12.7	6.4
October	10.1	5.7
November	6.2	6.4
December	5.5	5.5
1976		
January	5.0	5.0

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices

Seasonally Adjusted
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975		
November	143.0	105.0
December	142.4	113.3
1976		
January	141.9	113.4

Change from same period*
12 months earlier

	%	%
1975		
August	-6.7	-9.1
September	-8.9	-9.5
October	-6.0	-9.8
November	-3.7	-7.0
December	-4.2	-4.7
1976		
January	-3.1	1.4

* Three-month moving average ending in month indicated.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended March 31, 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Rail carload traffic totalled 6.2 million short tons (5.6 million metric tonnes) in the last 10 days of March, 26.3% above the 1975 period which contained the Easter weekend. Eastern and western loadings rose during the current 10 days by 27.0% and 25.2%, respectively.

Piggyback traffic at 262,976 short tons (238 567 metric tonnes) was 17.1% above the 1975 level.

During the first quarter of 1976 rail freight was up 0.3% from the same 1975 period while piggyback movements declined 2.7%.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending March 31

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	3,661,952	2,502,083	6,164,035
Short tons, 1975r	2,884,010	1,997,932	4,881,942
Metric tonnes, 1976	3 322 067	2 269 852	5 591 919
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 616 330	1 812 493	4 428 823
% change	27.0	25.2	26.3
Cars, 1976	64,642	37,964	102,606
Cars, 1975r	48,476	31,529	80,005
% change	33.3	20.4	28.2
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	195,675	67,301	262,976
Short tons, 1975r	164,914	59,633	224,547
Metric tonnes, 1976	177 513	61 054	238 567
Metric tonnes, 1975	149 607	54 098	203 705
% change	18.7	12.9	17.1
Cars, 1976	6,478	2,804	9,282
Cars, 1975r	5,552	2,864	8,416
% change	16.7	-2.1	10.3
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	28,344,739	23,397,520	51,742,259**
Short tons, 1975r	28,570,481	23,008,177	51,578,658
Metric tonnes, 1976	25 713 915	21 225 873	46 939 788
Metric tonnes, 1975	25 918 704	20 872 667	46 791 371
% change	-0.8	1.7	0.3
Cars, 1976	488,362	366,582	854,944 **
Cars, 1975r	496,542	369,445	865,987
% change	-1.6	-0.8	-1.3
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	1,595,423	618,873	2,214,296 **
Short tons, 1975r	1,686,650	588,700	2,275,350
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 447 343	561 432	2 008 775
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 530 103	534 060	2 064 163
% change	-5.4	5.1	-2.7
Cars, 1976	53,722	25,975	79,697 **
Cars, 1975r	58,022	28,365	86,387
% change	-7.4	-8.4	-7.7

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

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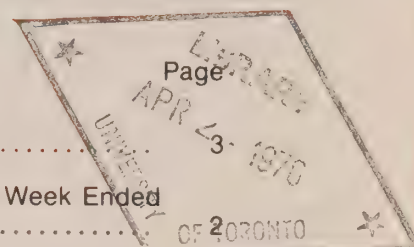
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Domestic and Foreign Control

A new biennial series of reports, *Domestic and Foreign Control of Manufacturing Establishments in Canada* (41-401, \$3.50), deals with this subject for reporting units corresponding approximately to plants, rather than whole companies as in other statistics regularly published on nationality of control of manufacturing. This makes available industry detail and breakdowns to provincial and census metropolitan area levels. Domestic and foreign control in data by manufacturers in the annual survey of capital expenditures are also published in the same report. The first issue is for 1969 and 1970.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Pension Plans in Canada, 1974 (74-401, \$2.10)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for the series): Canvas Products Manufacturers (34-202-p-2); Dental Laboratories (47-206-p-5)
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Service Bulletins:

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8, No. 16, Passenger Origin and Destination, Preliminary, November 1975

Metals and Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 4, No. 1, Grinding Balls, 1975

Electrical Products (43-007, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 4, Electric Lamps, February 1976

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 11, Plastic Film (Sheeting and Layflat Tubing) and Coated Products, Revised, 1974

Weekly Security Price Indexes

April 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Apr. 9/76 This week	Apr. 2/76 Week ago	Mar. 19/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	109.7	109.4	110.3
Industrials	85	114.1	114.2	115.5
Foods	9	97.3	98.4	98.3
Alcoholic beverages	5	88.5	87.3	93.1
Textiles and clothing	3	135.4	135.1	134.9
Pulp and paper	7	154.3	154.2	160.3
Printing and publishing	5	139.1	139.4	135.2
Primary metals	4	122.8	121.7	124.2
Industrial mines	6	96.0	96.7	98.1
Metal fabricating	9	222.1	222.1	230.3
Non-metallic minerals	4	109.9	111.5	110.9
Petroleum	8	106.9	106.9	103.7
Chemicals	5	145.8	145.4	147.9
Construction	5	199.8	203.6	208.7
Trade	15	99.3	99.6	102.1
Utilities and services	28	89.5	88.5	88.7
Transportation	6	124.1	123.3	125.3
Pipelines	5	77.5	76.1	75.8
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.4	106.1	106.6
Telephone	4	90.9	89.3	89.4
Electric power	3	104.0	103.3	102.5
Gas distribution	5	65.3	65.4	65.1
Finances	21	118.6	116.7	117.1
Banks	8	122.8	120.3	119.1
Investment and loan	9	110.0	109.8	113.7
Insurance	4	101.6	99.8	104.8
Mining Index	17	104.0	106.3	111.6
Gold	9	161.9	165.2	182.0
Base metals	8	76.2	78.1	77.9
Uraniums	2	219.5	220.4	223.2
Primary oils and gas index	5	103.2	101.5	103.0

For further information, order the April issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January and February were valued at \$117.2 million, an increase of 38.4% from the January-February 1975 figure of \$84.7 million. Repair parts for the same period had a value of \$20.5 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Y. Lebel (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

The Labour Force, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Employment increased and unemployment decreased slightly on a seasonally-adjusted basis in March, giving an unemployment rate of 6.9% compared to 7.0% in February. The adjusted rate was also 6.9% in March 1975.

Employment, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at 9,607,000 up from 9,541,000 in February. Unemployment was 713,000, down from 719,000 in February.

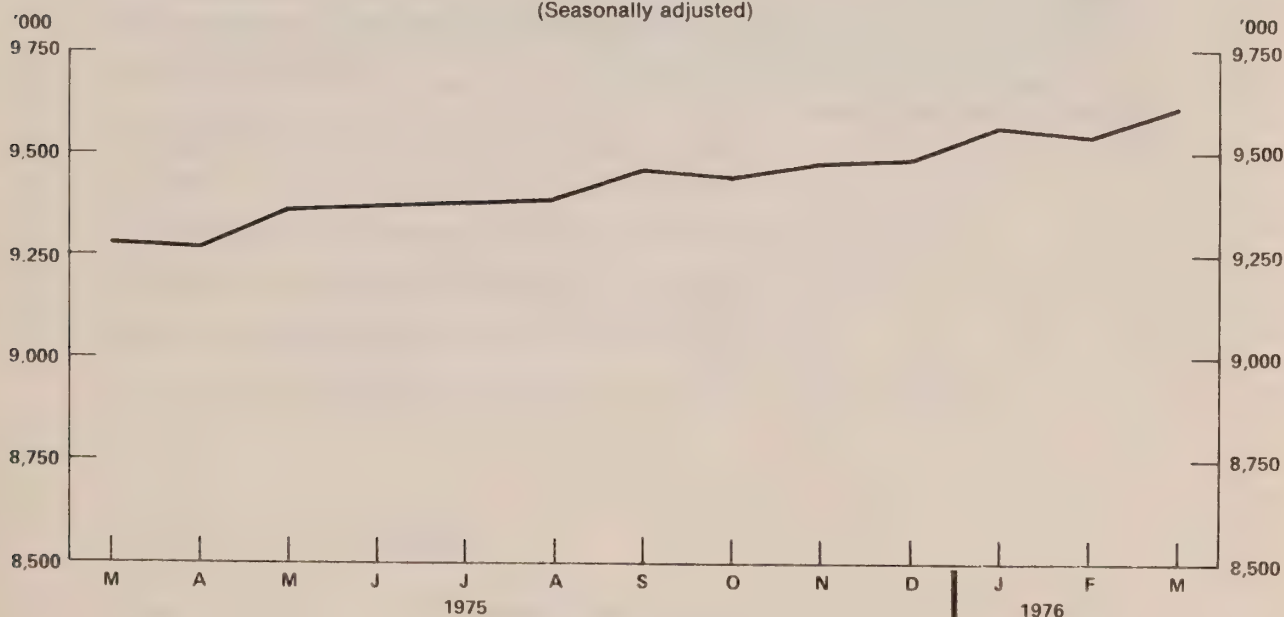
There was a decrease of 11,000 in the level of unemployment for men and an increase of 5,000 in the level for women. There was little change in the unemployment level for persons 15 to 24 years of age.

Without seasonal adjustment, the labour force in March was estimated at 10,018,000 with 9,259,000 employed and 759,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 7.6%. In February, the labour force was estimated at 9,978,000 with 9,178,000 employed and 800,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.0%. In March 1975, the labour force was 9,679,000 with 8,941,000 employed and 739,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 7.6%.

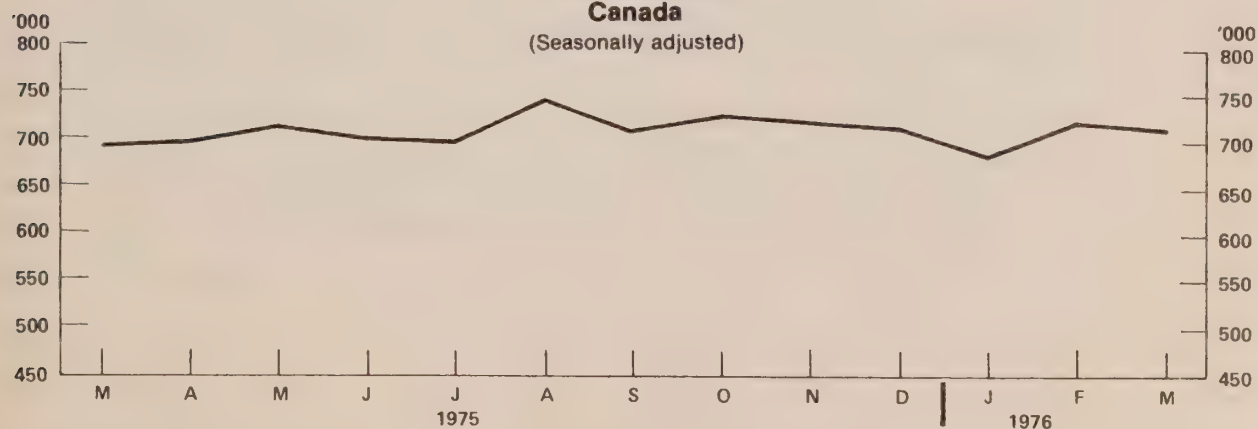
Adjusted unemployment rates for the provinces, with the February rate in brackets: Newfoundland 13.4% (13.1%); Nova Scotia 8.2% (7.6%); New Brunswick 11.5% (11.2%); Quebec 7.7% (8.5%); Ontario 6.2% (5.9%); Manitoba 4.9% (4.8%); Saskatchewan 4.0% (4.2%); Alberta 3.8% (3.6%); British Columbia 8.7% (8.9%). Because of small sample size in Prince Edward Island, unemployment estimates are subject to wide error and are not published.

For further information, order the March issue of *The Labour Force* (77-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

**Employment
Canada**
(Seasonally adjusted)



**Unemployment
Canada**
(Seasonally adjusted)



Gas Utilities, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian consumers purchased 166.9 billion cubic feet of natural gas in January, up 11.8% from 149.3 billion cubic feet a year earlier. Exports increased to 83.3 billion cubic feet from 80.8 billion.

For further information, order the January issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact R.C. Peacock (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Electric Power Statistics, February 1976 — Advance Information.

In February net generation increased to 25.0 billion kwh. from 23.9 billion kwh. in February 1975.

Hydro generation increased 3.7% while thermal production increased 8.5%.

For further information, order the February issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Coal and Coke Statistics, January 1976 — Advance Information.

January coal production increased 11.5% to 2,518,517 tons from 2,259,670 tons a year earlier. Imports decreased to 344,530 tons from 765,202 tons. Industrial consumers used 2,607,594 tons of coal (up 344,886 tons) and 476,654 tons of coke (down 27,028 tons).

For further information, order the January issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

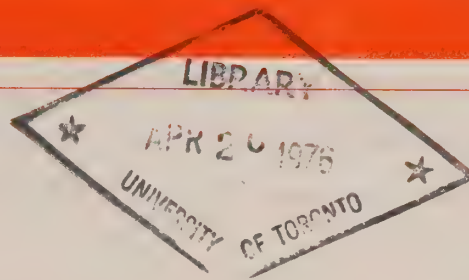
Women's Clothing

Preliminary information is available for 1974 on operations of women's clothing factories, in advance of the regular annual publication *Women's and Children's Clothing Industries* (34-217, 70¢). For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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National Income and Expenditure Accounts, Fourth Quarter 1975 (13-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Manufacturing Industries, Type of Organization and Size of Establishments, 1973 (31-210, \$1.40)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, February 1976 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, February 1976 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Copper and Nickel Production, February 1976 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, January 1976 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, January 1976 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)

Breweries, 1974 (32-205, 70¢)

Particle Board, February 1976 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Coal and Coke Statistics, December 1975 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, February 1976 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, February 1976 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, February 1976 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Primary Iron and Steel, January 1976 (41-001, 40¢/4)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for the series): Men's Clothing Factories (34-216-p-1); Men's Clothing Contractors (34-216-p-2); Women's Clothing Factories (34-217-p-1); Heating Equipment Manufacturers (41-225-p)

Service Bulletin:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 10, Monthly Telephone Statistics, February 1976

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Seasonally-Adjusted Data, February 1976 — Advance Information.

The first estimate of the Canada industrial composite index of employment (1961=100) for February showed a 0.1% rise from January. Gains were recorded in forestry, mining, manufacturing and finance, insurance and real estate. Employment advanced in the Atlantic region and Ontario. Remaining regions showed declines.

Average weekly earnings climbed 0.9% at the Canada industrial composite level in February. Gains occurred in all industry divisions except forestry and transportation, communication and other utilities and in all regions except British Columbia.

Average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage earners increased in mining, manufacturing and construction in February. Average hourly earnings also increased in these three industry divisions.

Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for December 1975 and January 1976 will be published in the February issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Seasonally-adjusted Employment Indexes, February 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table presents seasonally-adjusted employment indexes (1971=100) for selected industries at the Canada level. These indexes have been arithmetically

converted from 1961-based data contained in *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7). The seasonal factors used to derive these adjusted data are the same as those used for the 1961-based data.

For further information concerning these series contact Mr. G. L. Cohen (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics, January 1976.

Persons receiving unemployment insurance benefits in January rose 22% to 860,000 from 703,000 in December. Thirty-five percent of the beneficiaries were under 25 years of age — almost equal proportions of males and females. Five percent of beneficiaries reported some work earnings.

Net unemployment insurance benefits in January amounted to \$342 million, an increase of 22% from December. Benefit payments have always been greater in January than December. However, the percentage advance was considerably less than in recent years for the same months. The payout was 12% more than in January 1975. The annual adjustment in 1976 raised the maximum weekly benefit to \$133 from \$123 in 1975.

Claims filed by persons seeking unemployment insurance benefit in January were 277,000, a decrease of 17% from December. The claim intake increased by about 7% for the two immediately preceding years for the same months. Claims were 22% fewer than those filed in January 1975.

(see table on page 6)

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data

February 1976

Industry Division and Area	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	1976f	1976p	1975p	1975p	1975	1975	1976f	1976p	1975p	1975p
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	58.7	55.3	55.2	67.9	73.0	77.2	68.2	63.0	58.8	64.1
Mining	117.4	116.6	116.4	116.5	115.1	114.9	118.6	118.5	118.5	116.8
Manufacturing	124.2	123.6	123.2	125.9	124.7	125.2	126.9	126.3	126.1	125.8
Durables	138.8	138.5	138.6	141.0	138.1	137.9	140.9	140.5	140.8	140.6
Non-durables	112.3	111.5	110.7	113.7	113.8	115.0	115.4	114.8	114.3	113.9
Construction	100.0	100.1	107.6	123.0	101.0	101.2	116.7	117.0	123.3	119.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	124.4	124.8	124.9	116.2	123.7	124.3	127.9	128.2	126.2	115.7
Trade	168.4	170.5	177.2	176.1	163.4	166.7	172.8	172.8	169.7	169.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	178.6	177.5	177.4	177.5	170.5	170.3	179.7	179.0	178.3	177.9
Service	228.4	228.0	229.0	234.8	220.0	218.8	236.8	238.2	240.0	238.2
Industrial Composite	138.6	138.6	140.0	141.1	137.0	138.0	143.1	142.9	142.3	139.9
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	125.0	124.9	127.3	133.1	124.4	126.1	134.4	133.3	131.9	131.4
Newfoundland	126.2	121.2	123.9	134.7	124.8	126.4	138.1	132.2	129.6	132.2
Prince Edward Island	126.4	129.8	138.7	143.9	128.8	132.1	147.5	147.4	146.2	140.7
Nova Scotia	123.2	125.1	127.3	131.0	123.2	124.6	129.3	131.5	130.1	129.7
New Brunswick	126.3	126.8	128.4	133.7	125.1	127.1	136.6	135.8	133.8	131.8
Quebec	125.7	126.2	127.7	128.8	124.8	125.5	129.6	130.2	130.2	127.3
Ontario	142.0	141.7	142.9	143.1	141.5	142.6	145.4	144.7	144.2	141.8
Prairie Region	147.8	148.4	149.9	151.5	142.2	142.4	152.8	153.8	153.2	151.3
Manitoba	125.0	125.6	126.9	130.3	127.0	127.3	129.2	129.3	129.3	129.5
Saskatchewan	138.1	138.6	139.9	139.7	128.1	129.2	144.3	145.5	143.5	139.0
Alberta	171.0	171.6	173.4	174.1	160.6	160.5	176.5	177.4	177.7	174.5
British Columbia	161.2	160.1	161.6	161.7	158.0	158.9	166.0	166.3	165.1	161.1
Yukon	175.9	173.3	178.8	182.4	178.6	179.5	192.1	187.3	188.1	183.7
Northwest Territories	140.3	140.2	138.9	149.5	146.3	144.0	156.4	157.1	155.6	158.3
Canada	138.6	138.6	140.0	141.1	137.0	138.0	143.1	142.9	142.3	139.9

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Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

February 1976 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	30,243	27 437	10,816	9 812	41,059	37 249
Rails	26,675	24 199	8,872	8 049	35,547	32 248
Wire rods	58,676	53 229	12,292	11 151	70,968	64 380
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	43,123	39 120	6,862	6 225	49,985	45 345
Bar-sized shapes	10,804	9 802	841	763	11,645	10 565
Concrete reinforcing bars	30,331	27 515	432	392	30,763	27 907
Other hot rolled bars	72,921	66 153	4,559	4 135	77,480	70 288
Tie plates and track material	8,768	7 955	4	4	8,772	7 959
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	88,832	80 590	10,179	9 234	99,011	89 824
Hot rolled sheets	180,918	164 125	26,031	23 615	206,949	187 740
Hot rolled strip	6,657	6 038	59	54	6,716	6 092
Cold finished bars	151,660	137 583	10,187	9 242	161,847	146 825
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled other, coated	58,715	53 265	4,741	4 301	63,456	57 566
Galvanized sheets	768,323	697 011	95,875	86 977	864,198	783 988
Total	768,323	697 011	95,875	86 977	864,198	783 988

*Producer's shipments excluding producer's interchange.

For further information, order the February issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data (continued)

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	1976f	1976p	1975p	1975p	1975	1975	1976f	1976p	1975p	1975p
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	284.27	274.52	219.69	264.95	251.78	245.16	271.02	273.29	237.35	255.77
Mining	309.34	304.04	296.95	299.42	265.63	263.29	306.12	299.93	297.51	295.64
Manufacturing	230.90	228.46	221.63	224.39	204.91	202.66	230.14	227.14	226.57	222.87
Durables	247.07	244.39	234.91	240.52	216.97	214.55	247.02	243.59	242.85	238.73
Non-durables	214.69	212.42	208.15	208.17	193.04	191.10	213.94	211.28	210.87	207.44
Construction	318.65	308.07	282.36	316.73	271.53	267.48	315.31	309.03	313.00	310.34
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	248.91	249.51	243.87	249.04	224.22	222.10	248.46	250.71	243.07	249.41
Trade	169.35	167.87	167.97	162.60	150.73	148.18	170.73	169.29	169.44	165.38
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	206.63	204.38	201.97	198.55	185.67	185.53	205.13	203.69	202.78	200.76
Service	156.33	155.58	152.23	149.33	136.42	136.09	156.96	154.53	152.80	149.34
Industrial Composite	218.39	216.18	210.22	212.93	194.18	192.08	218.61	216.77	215.28	212.57
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	194.81	192.11	185.51	187.63	173.91	172.61	192.46	189.72	188.95	187.42
Newfoundland	212.74	207.77	198.77	204.44	192.09	188.74	209.92	207.48	205.40	204.64
Prince Edward Island	165.88	165.64	157.41	158.06	143.43	144.67
Nova Scotia	185.14	184.12	177.63	178.15	165.47	164.46	184.13	182.35	181.59	178.17
New Brunswick	197.13	194.32	189.36	190.67	174.97	174.41	192.67	192.95	189.38	189.66
Quebec	212.69	209.97	205.95	208.73	190.24	187.85	213.10	210.96	209.94	207.79
Ontario	219.63	217.77	211.38	214.67	195.93	193.97	219.78	217.81	217.04	214.73
Prairie Region	213.75	210.68	205.97	206.98	187.49	184.34	214.14	211.91	210.22	207.06
Manitoba	199.04	196.43	193.37	192.83	177.20	174.28	200.48	198.11	196.55	192.97
Saskatchewan	204.23	203.31	198.63	199.52	178.21	175.17	205.28	205.26	199.85	198.73
Alberta	225.91	221.90	216.11	218.29	197.33	194.04	225.57	222.61	221.58	218.60
British Columbia	247.30	246.49	236.51	240.00	217.15	216.16	248.17	248.78	242.50	238.52
Yukon	295.25	295.71	287.89	293.02	279.74	274.00
Northwest Territories	283.18	277.41	268.63	284.44	268.86	264.55
Canada	218.39	216.18	210.22	212.93	194.18	192.08	218.61	216.77	215.28	212.57

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Help Wanted Index, First Quarter 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The seasonally-adjusted help-wanted index (1969=100) advanced to 170 in the first quarter of 1976, up 6% from the previous quarter. A decline of 12% was registered a year ago between quarters. Ontario, British Columbia and the Prairie provinces showed increases of at least 10%. The Atlantic provinces dropped 20% and Quebec 2%.

Compared to the first quarter of 1975 the index rose 5%. Gains were registered in Quebec (16%), the Prairies (9%) and British Columbia (7%) while decreases occurred in the Atlantic provinces (39%) and Ontario (4%).

For further information, contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

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Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, April 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at April 1 amounted to 54.3 million pounds compared with last year's total of 79.1 million pounds.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian mills shipped 191,900,000 sq. ft. (3/8" basis) of softwood plywood in January, up from 146,064,000 sq. ft. in January 1975. Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 31,394,000 sq. ft. surface measure for January, an increase of 52.2% from January 1975.

For further information, order the January issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywood* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Financial Flow Accounts, Fourth Quarter and Annual 1975 — Correction.

The first line in the table accompanying this article in the *Daily* of Tuesday, April 13, should read: total funds raised by non-financial sectors.

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data (continued)

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	1976f	1976p	1975p	1975p	1975	1975	1976f	1976p	1975p	1975p
number										
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining	40.5	40.3	39.6	40.6	40.8	40.6	40.1	39.8	40.1	39.9
Manufacturing	38.8	38.7	37.7	39.0	38.7	38.7	38.8	38.7	39.3	38.5
Durables	39.6	39.4	38.2	39.6	39.2	39.2	39.6	39.4	40.0	39.1
Non-durables	37.9	37.8	37.1	38.2	38.1	38.1	37.8	37.8	38.4	37.7
Construction	39.4	37.9	35.5	39.8	38.3	38.0	39.8	39.0	40.9	39.5
Building	38.1	37.2	35.0	38.3	37.2	36.9	38.3	37.9	39.7	37.6
Engineering	42.5	39.9	36.7	42.8	41.1	40.8	42.7	41.5	43.5	43.2
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	38.1	37.8	36.8	38.0	38.2	38.9	38.2	37.4	38.6	37.9
Quebec	39.1	38.8	37.9	39.4	39.6	39.2	38.9	38.8	39.8	38.7
Ontario	39.3	39.2	38.2	39.4	38.7	38.8	39.3	39.3	39.7	39.0
Prairie Region	37.3	37.3	36.7	37.6	37.5	37.4	37.4	37.4	37.5	37.1
British Columbia	36.5	36.7	35.6	36.5	36.5	36.7	36.4	36.4	36.6	36.0
dollars										
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining	7.14	7.08	7.00	6.95	6.02	5.99	7.13	7.06	6.93	6.92
Manufacturing	5.47	5.41	5.33	5.28	4.83	4.77	5.48	5.39	5.31	5.29
Durables	5.85	5.80	5.69	5.68	5.14	5.07	5.87	5.77	5.72	5.69
Non durables	5.03	4.96	4.91	4.84	4.50	4.46	5.05	4.95	4.85	4.86
Construction	8.28	8.21	7.87	8.14	7.12	7.04	8.15	8.09	7.90	8.03
Building	8.32	8.27	8.07	8.30	7.21	7.16	8.25	8.18	8.11	8.19
Engineering	8.21	8.07	7.46	7.85	6.92	6.77	8.02	8.03	7.61	7.82
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	4.95	4.78	4.76	4.73	4.57	4.52	4.83	4.66	4.56	4.68
Quebec	4.91	4.87	4.81	4.74	4.31	4.27	4.93	4.88	4.79	4.75
Ontario	5.59	5.52	5.41	5.42	4.94	4.88	5.60	5.49	5.42	5.43
Prairie Region	5.49	5.44	5.42	5.41	4.81	4.74	5.56	5.47	5.44	5.42
British Columbia	7.13	7.12	7.04	6.85	6.32	6.26	7.15	7.09	6.99	6.83

... figures not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Employment Indexes, Selected Industries, Canada

(1971=100)

(Seasonally-Adjusted)

Industry (1960 S.I.C.)	1971 percentage weights	Nov. 1975p	Dec. 1975p	Jan. 1976p	Feb. 1976f
Industrial Composite	100.00	109.2	111.3	111.5	111.6
Forestry	1.21	81.2	74.4	79.8	86.3
Mining, including milling	3.16	101.7	103.1	103.2	103.3
Manufacturing	39.54	103.1	103.3	103.4	103.9
Durable Goods	19.14	106.5	106.6	106.4	106.7
Non-Durable Goods	20.39	99.9	100.3	100.7	101.2
Construction	5.85	102.5	106.1	100.7	100.5
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	16.01	100.9	110.1	111.7	111.5
Transportation	9.53	103.9	103.7	105.0	..
Storage	0.38	100.5	100.4	99.8	..
Communication	3.96	86.3	124.6	124.9	..
Electric Power, Gas and Water	2.15	117.0	116.0	118.6	..
Trade	17.58	119.8	120.4	122.6	122.5
Wholesale Trade	5.84	117.6	119.3	119.1	118.4
Retail Trade	11.73	120.9	121.2	124.2	124.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	6.65	122.2	122.7	123.0	123.6
Service	10.01	128.4	129.7	128.6	127.8
Recreational Services	1.04	127.7	127.2	121.4	..
Business Services	2.31	138.5	140.1	140.0	..
Personal Services	4.68	123.1	124.4	122.3	..

.. figures not available.

f figures estimated based on limited number of returns.

p preliminary figures.

r revised figures.

Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	To Date						
	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975	1976	1975	Dec. 1975	Jan. 1975
Benefit Payments							
Gross amount (\$000)	343,297p	281,833	307,432	343,297	307,432	22	12
Net amount(1) (\$000)	341,825p	280,391	306,501	341,825	306,501	22	12
Weeks of benefit (000)	3,746	3,167	3,725	3,746	3,725	18	1
Average weekly benefit (\$)	91.63p	89.00	82.54	91.63	82.54	3	11
Claims received (000)	277	335	356	277	356	-17	-22
Beneficiaries (000)	860p	703p	..	860p	...	22	...
Claimants (2) at month end (000)	1,179	1,066	1,134	1,179	1,134	11	4

(1) After cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments.

(2) These figures are overstated in terms of active files. If claimants do not report that they became re-employed, a period of 5 weeks is allowed to elapse before their claims are transferred to the inactive file.

(3) Monthly average.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised — Amount too small to be expressed

.. Figures not available

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

Note: The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

For further information, order the January issue of *Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, 40¢/\$4) or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Help Wanted Index, Canada and Region, 1971 to 1976

Seasonally Adjusted

(1969=100)

Year	Quarter				Annual Average	Quarter				Annual Average
	I	II	III	IV		I	II	III	IV	
Canada					Atlantic Region					
1971	77	85	85	97	86	88	87	84	88	87
1972	106	111	118	126	115	84	97	103	131	104
1973	130	137	157	171	149	120	126	140	163	137
1974	192	208	212	183	199	212	234	240	260	237
1975	162	165	168	160	164	208	223	255	159	211
1976	170					127				
Quebec					Ontario					
1971	79	93	93	105	93	74	82	76	90	80
1972	109	112	117	117	114	105	111	122	127	116
1973	128	125	151	158	141	133	139	159	162	148
1974	180	213	213	208	203	178	182	182	139	170
1975	179	193	219	212	201	124	120	115	103	115
1976	207					119				
Prairie Region					British Columbia					
1971	79	81	92	100	88	70	74	90	99	83
1972	108	115	122	140	121	105	106	118	121	113
1973	129	142	155	197	156	133	159	176	197	166
1974	218	234	253	216	230	228	235	244	178	221
1975	195	209	188	194	196	157	153	150	148	152
1976	213					168				

Housing Starts and Completions

February 1976 — Advance Information

Dwelling Starts and Completions in Centres of 10,000 Population & Over

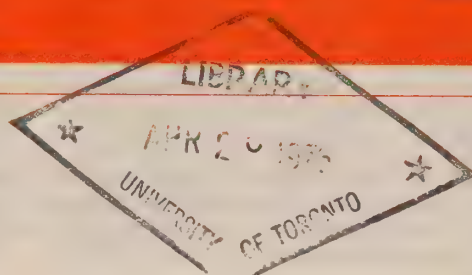
February 1976	Starts					Completions				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	28	4	25	—	57	155	—	15	4	174
Prince Edward Island	1	2	—	—	3	11	—	—	—	11
Nova Scotia	144	78	4	415	641	162	30	3	358	553
New Brunswick	8	2	—	12	22	176	6	—	200	382
Quebec	1,054	86	29	1,053	2,222	1,178	70	48	622	1,918
Ontario	788	226	1,093	1,206	3,313	1,513	327	661	2,268	4,769
Manitoba	117	14	24	441	596	229	28	5	81	343
Saskatchewan	358	—	—	140	498	295	6	—	58	359
Alberta	876	96	529	1,015	2,516	931	96	154	99	1,280
British Columbia	882	86	197	582	1,747	853	66	179	989	2,087
Canada	4,256	594	1,901	4,864	11,615	5,503	629	1,065	4,679	11,876
Metropolitan Areas										
Calgary	438	36	166	329	969	295	54	18	30	397
Chicoutimi-Jonquiere	19	—	—	3	22	47	—	—	—	47
Edmonton	305	42	363	633	1,343	472	24	55	—	551
Halifax	140	78	4	399	621	92	30	2	322	446
Hamilton	130	2	51	188	371	73	10	102	308	493
Hull	25	—	—	—	25	44	4	21	3	72
Kitchener	60	40	109	—	209	166	10	16	84	276
London	48	16	102	28	194	84	16	33	94	227
Montreal	683	76	29	897	1,685	618	52	27	282	979
Ottawa	4	—	395	—	399	128	15	125	1	269
Quebec	137	6	—	—	143	192	—	—	39	231
Regina	148	—	—	140	288	111	—	—	—	111
St. Catharines-Niagara	114	44	7	35	200	97	20	38	36	191
Saint-John	6	2	—	12	20	64	2	—	158	224
St. John's	25	4	22	—	51	127	—	—	—	127
Saskatoon	149	—	—	—	149	108	6	—	54	168
Sudbury	8	—	—	—	8	26	15	—	—	41
Thunder Bay	20	10	—	—	30	34	2	8	—	44
Toronto	198	56	331	716	1,301	398	153	217	1,513	2,281
Vancouver	479	28	179	400	1,086	418	34	98	528	1,078
Victoria	85	10	10	154	259	119	2	26	326	473
Windsor	32	—	—	—	32	53	—	6	38	97
Winnipeg	109	12	16	403	540	206	28	5	24	263
Sub-Total	3,362	462	1,784	4,337	9,945	3,972	477	797	3,840	9,086
Major Urban Areas	320	60	62	291	733	628	87	90	286	1,091
Other Areas 10,000 +	574	72	55	236	937	903	65	178	553	1,699
All Areas 10,000 +	4,256	594	1,901	4,864	11,615	5,503	629	1,065	4,679	11,876

For further information, order *Housing Starts and Completions*, February 1975 (64-002, 40¢/\$4).

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Retail Trade, January 1976 (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Sales Financing, January 1976 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Department Store Sales by Regions, February 1976 (63-004, \$1.50 a year)

Urban Transit, February 1976 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Iron Ore, February 1976 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Rigid Insulating Board, February 1976 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Miscellaneous Textile Industries (34-210-p-5); Frozen Fruit and Vegetable Processors (32-218-p-2)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, February 1976 — Advance Information.

The preliminary estimate of the total value of manufacturers' shipments in February, seasonally adjusted, was \$7,484.2 million, a decline of 2.9% from the revised January value of \$7,708.2 million. Shipments of durable goods industries, with an estimated value of \$3,444.1 million in February, were down 2.6% from the revised January figure of \$3,536.9 million. In non-durable goods industries this value declined 1.4% to \$4,052.1 million from \$4,160.1 million.

The adjusted value of new orders was 2.0% lower in February, declining to \$7,393.1 million from \$7,546.9 million over the month. In durable goods industries, the value of new orders received was down 1.4% from \$3,386.8 million to \$3,341.0 million and in non-durable goods industries new orders valued at \$4,052.1 million were 2.6% lower than a month earlier. Unfilled orders, down 0.9% in total, were estimated to have a value of \$9,603.3 million at the end of February compared with \$9,694.4 million a month earlier. In durable goods, the decline was 1.2% to \$8,322.0 million from \$8,425.1 million. For non-durable goods the level was 0.9% higher at \$1,281.3 million, compared with \$1,269.3 million, at the end of January.

The total value of inventory owned by manufacturers, seasonally adjusted, increased 1.2% to \$15,677.2 million from \$15,489.7 million. Total inventory held, estimated at \$16,455.3 million, was also 1.2% higher. The increase in inventory values was reflected in all three principal categories — raw materials, goods in process and finished products.

The ratio of inventory owned to shipments for January was revised slightly to 2.01:1 and the preliminary estimate for February was 2.09:1. These values compare with 2.05:1 in December 1975 and 2.07:1 in November 1975.

The preliminary estimate of the value of shipments in February without seasonal adjustment was \$7,297.1 million, \$318.6 million more than in January. During the first two months of 1976 the value of shipments was 10.7% higher than the comparable period of 1975. Changes in the value among the provinces ranged from a 25.7% drop in Newfoundland to a 17.3% increase in Alberta.

For further information, order the February issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1972 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Feb. 1976p	Jan. 1976r	Dec. 1975	Feb. 1975
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	7,297.1	6,978.5	7,279.1	6,505.1
Non-durable	3,927.6	3,796.7	4,006.8	3,614.8
Durable	3,369.4	3,181.8	3,272.4	2,890.3
New Orders: Total	7,249.4	6,896.6	7,276.0	6,421.0
Non-durable	3,951.0	3,813.2	3,988.7	3,586.3
Durable	3,298.4	3,083.4	3,387.3	2,434.7
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,650.4	9,698.1	9,780.0	10,357.0
Non-durable	1,275.7	1,252.3	1,235.8	1,244.1
Durable	8,374.7	8,445.8	8,544.2	9,112.8
Inventory Owned: Total	15,784.5	15,547.0	15,459.4	15,000.0
Inventory Held: Total	16,521.1	16,272.1	16,177.7	15,563.1
Raw materials	6,881.3	6,873.0	6,997.0	6,740.5
Goods in process	4,331.5	4,253.3	4,136.0	3,750.5
Finished Products	5,308.4	5,145.8	5,044.7	5,072.1
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	7,484.2	7,708.2	7,576.6	6,925.0
Non-durable	4,040.1	4,171.3	4,121.1	3,856.1
Durable	3,444.1	3,536.9	3,455.5	3,068.9
New Orders: Total	7,393.1	7,546.9	7,508.5	6,808.5
Non-durable	4,052.1	4,160.1	4,111.2	3,822.8
Durable	3,341.0	3,386.8	3,397.3	2,985.7
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,603.3	9,694.4	9,855.7	10,306.3
Non-durable	1,281.3	1,269.3	1,280.5	1,248.0
Durable	8,322.0	8,425.1	8,575.2	9,058.3
Inventory Owned: Total	15,677.2	15,489.7	15,545.8	14,893.3
Inventory Held: Total	16,455.3	16,259.3	16,315.3	15,491.1
Raw materials	6,875.0	6,810.7	6,891.6	6,732.7
Goods in process	4,346.6	4,295.2	4,235.5	3,758.2
Finished products	5,233.7	5,153.4	5,188.2	5,000.5
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	2.09	2.01	2.05	2.15
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.70	0.67	0.68	0.72

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Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Feb. 1976p	Jan. 1976r	Not Seasonally Adjusted % change	Jan.-Feb. 1976p	Jan.-Feb. 1975	% change
(\$ millions)						
Newfoundland	25.1	24.4	2.7	49.5	66.5	-25.7
Nova Scotia	145.9	150.0	-2.8	295.9	264.4	11.9
New Brunswick	146.4	153.4	-4.6	299.8	257.5	16.5
Quebec	1,913.5	1,840.2	4.0	3,753.7	3,535.7	6.2
Ontario	3,777.2	3,568.2	5.9	7,345.4	6,517.3	12.7
Manitoba	196.4	188.4	4.3	384.8	372.3	3.4
Saskatchewan	73.8	75.1	-1.8	148.9	159.9	-6.9
Alberta	336.0	325.7	3.2	661.6	563.9	17.3
British Columbia	674.6	645.6	4.5	1,320.2	1,147.4	15.1
Canada*	7,297.1	6,978.5	4.6	14,275.6	12,898.4	10.7

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Wholesale Trade, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales by wholesale merchants for February were estimated at \$3,595,631,000, a 13.3% increase compared with February 1975.

In the consumer goods trades one of the most significant sales changes from February 1975 was registered by the groceries and food specialties component, up 10.9%. In the industrial goods trades there was an increase of 36.3% in the category of other construction materials and supplies including lumber.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$6,469,079,000, an increase of 4.2% over February 1975.

For further details, order the February issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 5,890,358 phonograph records in February, up from 4,373,220 in February 1975.

Production of pre-recorded tapes (8 track cartridges and cassettes only) decreased to 890,073 from 901,906.

For further information, order the February issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes — Service Bulletin* (47-004, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Dairy Factory Production, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of creamery butter rose 39.0% in March to 19.5 million pounds from 14.0 million pounds in March 1975. Cheddar cheese production increased 1.9% to 12.9 million pounds from 12.7 million pounds and production of ice cream mix increased 4.1% to 2.4 million gallons from 2.3 million gallons.

For further information, order the March issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, April 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

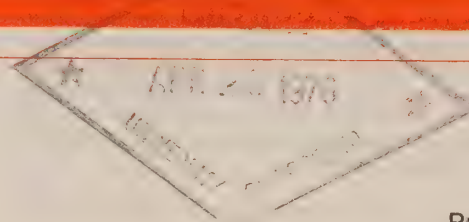
Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 58.7 million pounds on April 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 29.0 million. Stocks of cheddar cheese were down to 56.9 million pounds from 64.7 million. Stocks of skim milk powder increased 160.8% to 317.6 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk increased 18.5% to 19.6 million pounds.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, March 1976 (62-009, 30¢/\$3).

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPIs show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price level differences between cities. Some such intercity price comparisons are published separately. For reference see footnote to ensuing tables.

From February to March, consumer price indexes advanced in 11 regional cities, declined in two and remained unchanged in Thunder Bay. Movements ranged from a 0.3% decline in Montreal to a 2.4% rise in Vancouver. Main contributors to these latest increases included higher charges for shelter and household operation items, increased clothing prices, higher automobile insurance premiums in some Western provinces and increased local transit fares in some Ontario centres. Prices for food at home generally declined in most cities while restaurant meal charges were up.

St. John's

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.5%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: increased prices for pork, fresh fruit and soft drinks for home consumption; higher household operation charges and increased clothing prices.

Halifax

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.1%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 10.2%.

Main contributors: higher charges for both owned and rented accommodation and for furniture; clothing prices also up. Prices down for food at home but restaurant meal charges were up.

Saint John

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.6%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: higher charges for both owned and rented accommodation and increased rates for telephone and local transit fares. Food index up with poultry and fresh produce main contributors.

Quebec City

All items: February to March 1976, down 0.1%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 7.7%.

Main contributors: decline mainly due to lower prices for food at home, notably beef and pork. Higher prices reported for clothing, shelter and taxi fares.

Montreal

All items: February to March 1976, down 0.3%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: decrease due to lower prices for food at home, particularly those for meat, fresh produce and soft drinks. Higher prices recorded for clothing, shelter and restaurant meals.

Ottawa

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.1%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: increased local transit fares and higher charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Prices also up for beer consumed at home and restaurant meals. Prices for food at home generally declined.

Toronto

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.5%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: increased local transit fares and higher household operation charges. Higher prices for beer consumed at home, clothing and restaurant meals. Food at home generally cheaper.

Thunder Bay

All items: February to March 1976, no change; March 1975 to March 1976, up 9.9%.

Main contributors: higher shelter and household operation charges; increased prices for beer consumed at home and restaurant meals; generally lower prices for food at home.

Winnipeg

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.6%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 10.1%.

Main contributors: higher automobile insurance rates and increased shelter and household operation charges. Lower prices for food at home and gasoline.

Saskatoon

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.4%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 9.5%.

Main contributors: higher household operation charges and increased prices for clothing and clothing services; prices for food at home generally up with the main exception of beef.

Regina

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.5%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: increased household operation charges and higher clothing prices; generally higher prices for food at home, beef excepted, and for restaurant meals.

Edmonton

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.5%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: higher charges for shelter and household operation as well as for clothing and television repairs. Food prices unchanged over-all with those for beef and pork down while those for poultry, fresh vegetables and restaurant meals were up.

Calgary

All items: February to March 1976, up 0.6%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 10.3%.

Main contributors: higher charges for shelter and household operation items as well as increased prices for clothing; gasoline prices declined slightly; food index was up.

Vancouver

All items: February to March 1976, up 2.4%; March 1975 to March 1976, up 11.3%.

Main contributors: increased automobile insurance premiums. Prices for food at home generally higher with the main exception of those for meat.

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Oil Pipe Line Transport, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,564,000 barrels a day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in February. This was 0.2% higher than the 2,559,000 B/D received a year earlier. Domestic petroleum and products decreased 2.8% to 2,089,000 B/D while imported petroleum and products increased 15.9% to 475,000 B/D.

For further information order the February issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels*

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
March 1976 index	151.3	177.3	146.0	124.1	144.5	150.3	132.6	139.7
February 1976 index	150.6	176.4	145.3	123.0	144.8	150.2	131.2	139.7
% change from February 1976	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.9	-0.2	0.1	1.1	0.0
% change from March 1975	9.2	8.1	14.3	0.7	9.1	8.2	7.0	8.9
Halifax								
March 1976 index	142.6	166.3	136.6	123.5	143.8	131.0	129.2	127.0
February 1976 index	142.4	167.2	135.7	122.3	143.9	131.0	128.1	127.0
% change from February 1976	0.1	-0.5	0.7	1.0	-0.1	0.0	0.9	0.0
% change from March 1975	10.2	6.6	15.1	4.5	14.1	7.2	6.5	5.3
Saint John								
March 1976 index	145.5	171.7	138.3	122.8	143.3	144.8	141.3	124.5
February 1976 index	144.6	171.1	137.1	122.2	141.9	144.5	140.5	124.5
% change from February 1976	0.6	0.4	0.9	0.5	1.0	0.2	0.6	0.0
% change from March 1975	9.0	9.3	10.7	4.1	10.5	9.8	7.0	4.2
Quebec City								
March 1976 index	141.0	163.8	133.4	126.1	140.6	135.4	130.9	127.8
February 1976 index	141.1	166.6	132.8	124.0	139.8	135.1	129.7	127.7
% change from February 1976	-0.1	-1.7	0.5	1.7	0.6	0.2	0.9	0.1
% change from March 1975	7.7	5.7	9.3	4.2	11.4	11.5	6.1	6.3
Montreal								
March 1976 index	142.4	165.2	130.4	133.1	141.9	140.8	136.0	128.9
February 1976 index	142.8	168.2	129.9	130.8	141.9	140.9	135.6	129.2
% change from February 1976	-0.3	-1.8	0.4	1.8	0.0	-0.1	0.3	-0.2
% change from March 1975	7.9	5.3	8.9	6.2	14.1	10.9	7.1	6.0
Ottawa								
March 1976 index	143.4	162.3	136.8	135.5	140.6	138.7	132.3	132.2
February 1976 index	143.2	164.0	136.4	134.8	139.6	138.4	131.5	130.3
% change from February 1976	0.1	-1.0	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.6	1.5
% change from March 1975	8.7	7.6	10.3	6.8	11.1	8.1	6.1	5.6
Toronto								
March 1976 index	143.7	165.4	136.3	129.5	139.6	145.9	135.6	129.5
February 1976 index	143.0	166.0	135.7	128.5	137.7	145.6	134.9	127.6
% change from February 1976	0.5	-0.4	0.4	0.8	1.4	0.2	0.5	1.5
% change from March 1975	8.6	6.8	10.1	4.3	12.9	10.1	6.9	4.4
Thunder Bay								
March 1976 index	145.3	164.8	142.1	123.7	148.0	141.2	133.0	127.9
February 1976 index	145.3	166.6	141.4	123.2	148.1	140.6	132.5	126.2
% change from February 1976	0.0	-1.1	0.5	0.4	-0.1	0.4	0.4	1.3
% change from March 1975	9.9	6.7	14.1	3.7	12.5	11.4	8.4	3.6
Winnipeg								
March 1976 index	146.1	167.4	143.2	129.1	140.2	147.2	131.0	128.8
February 1976 index	145.3	167.6	142.4	128.2	138.2	146.9	130.7	128.5
% change from February 1976	0.6	-0.1	0.6	0.7	1.4	0.2	0.2	0.2
% change from March 1975	10.1	8.3	14.5	4.8	11.5	11.0	7.1	4.6
Saskatoon**								
March 1976 index	141.8	162.7	137.7	130.7	132.2	134.3	142.7	125.7
February 1976 index	141.3	161.6	137.0	129.5	132.4	133.9	142.0	125.7
% change from February 1976	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.9	-0.2	0.3	0.5	0.0
% change from March 1975	9.5	6.8	14.1	5.1	11.0	4.7	8.6	7.0
Regina**								
March 1976 index	141.2	156.4	138.7	129.6	133.2	137.0	144.6	126.0
February 1976 index	140.5	155.1	138.0	128.6	133.3	136.5	143.6	125.9
% change from February 1976	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.8	-0.1	0.4	0.7	0.1
% change from March 1975	9.7	4.7	16.0	5.0	11.4	6.8	9.8	6.1

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

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	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Edmonton**								
March 1976 index	143.6	156.2	145.7	129.8	142.5	133.3	130.8	128.2
February 1976 index	142.9	156.2	144.6	128.8	142.7	132.3	129.8	128.2
% change from February 1976	0.5	0.0	0.8	0.8	-0.1	0.8	0.8	0.0
% change from March 1975	9.7	4.7	15.4	3.8	13.0	8.9	6.1	7.2
Calgary**								
March 1976 index	143.2	159.4	140.1	132.9	141.6	137.2	131.6	128.2
February 1976 index	142.4	158.8	138.9	132.1	142.1	136.6	129.9	128.2
% change from February 1976	0.6	0.4	0.9	0.6	-0.4	0.4	1.3	0.0
% change from March 1975	10.3	5.6	16.5	4.7	13.7	9.4	5.7	7.1
Vancouver								
March 1976 index	147.7	169.8	140.1	132.1	148.1	140.0	129.3	131.5
February 1976 index	144.3	169.1	139.1	131.2	132.8	139.7	128.9	131.5
% change from February 1976	2.4	0.4	0.7	0.7	11.5	0.2	0.3	0.0
% change from March 1975	11.3	7.5	12.3	5.1	21.9	7.7	8.1	7.6

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of Prices and Price Indexes (62-002, 50¢/\$5.50).

** These indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supercede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin, Vol. 3, No. 5 (62-005).

Real Domestic Product, February 1976 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product increased 0.5% to 119.1 in February from 118.6 in January. The adjusted index of industrial production rose 1.2% in February.

Goods-producing industries increased 0.3%, with manufacturing, agriculture and forestry increasing. In manufacturing, non-durables manufacturers recorded the strongest gain at 1.9%. Resumption of production at a number of pulp and paper mills, previously shut down by strikes, accounted for a 16.0% increase in output in that industry. The rubber products industries also increased strongly in February. Durables manufacturing rose 1.3%, mainly due to significant increases in iron and steel mills, wood products industries and electrical products industries. Agriculture increased 2.1% and increased logging operations accounted for an 8.7% rise in forestry. Construction declined in February, mainly due to a decrease in non-residential building activity.

Service-producing industries remained relatively unchanged from the previous month. Trade, finance, insurance and real estate and community, business and personal services increased. Within trade, wholesale trade rose 1.3% mainly on the strength of increased sales of farm and industrial machinery and equipment. Retail trade declined slightly due to decreases in department stores, motor vehicle dealers and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores. The finance, insurance and real estate industry advanced 0.4% while community, business and personal services rose 0.1%. Public administration and defence declined 0.5%.

For further information, order the February issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Retail Trade, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Seasonally adjusted retail sales were \$4,574.2 million, an increase of 0.5% from the \$4,549.4 million recorded in January 1976. Sales increased in 15 of the 28 trade groups. Specialty shoe stores (up 25.4%) and florists (23.2%) recorded the largest increases, while general merchandise stores (down 14.7%) recorded the largest decrease. Six of the 10 provinces recorded decreases in sales from January, ranging from 3.5% for Prince Edward Island to 0.2% for Nova Scotia. New Brunswick recorded the largest increase (4.1%).

Total retail trade with adjustment reached \$3,730.8 million in February, an increase of 15.7% over February 1975. Sales increased in all 28 trade groups with the largest gains recorded by sporting goods and accessories stores (29.3%) and service stations (28.6%). All provinces recorded increased sales over February 1975, ranging from a high of 26.6% for Alberta to 12.1% for Quebec. Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver registered increases of 9.4%, 13.1%, 18.1% and 7.9% respectively.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for January 1976 was \$3,873.8 million, up 18.0% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the February, 1976 issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Footwear Statistics, February 1976 — Advance Information.

February production of footwear of all types decreased to 3,515,847 pairs from 3,721,655 in February 1975.

For further information order the February issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact John Dornan (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1975 Nov.	1975 Dec.	1976 Jan.	1976 Feb.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	117.3	118.5	118.6	119.1	0.5
Agriculture	3.371	83.1	83.5	81.9	83.6	2.1
Forestry	.715	70.0	85.1	78.0	84.8	8.7
Fishing and Trapping	.181	78.5	94.8	86.5	97.0	12.1
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	107.2	106.3	109.0	108.3	-0.7
Manufacturing industries	22.862	114.3	114.4	114.4	116.2	1.6
Construction industry	6.990	112.7	114.3	116.1	115.7	-0.3
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	121.9	127.3	126.9	126.8	-0.1
Transportation	5.874	117.8	118.4	118.9	118.4	-0.4
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	162.7	167.7	167.0	166.5	-0.3
Railway transport	1.700	109.8	106.8	108.9	114.5	5.1
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	126.4	139.3	120.2	133.7	11.2
Urban transit systems	.250	115.6	112.2	116.1	112.8	-2.8
Pipeline transport	.489	125.7	127.9	125.2	107.9	-13.8
Storage	.258	102.5	99.4	98.1	105.8	7.8
Grain elevators	.177	98.3	94.4	91.4	103.0	12.7
Communication	2.964	131.6	147.4	145.2	145.3	0.1
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	129.9	130.7	132.2	133.0	0.6
Trade	11.3.7	120.3	123.9	122.8	123.0	0.2
Wholesale trade	4.509	115.9	118.7	121.0	122.6	1.3
Wholesale merchants	3.242	118.2	121.0	122.6	124.8	1.8
Retail trade	6.858	123.2	127.4	124.0	123.3	-0.5
Food stores	1.368	110.7	112.3	111.2	112.4	1.1
General merchandise stores	1.562	128.6	132.7	130.1	128.9	-0.9
Department stores	.927	140.1	146.9	145.0	141.6	-2.3
Other general merchandise stores	.635	111.8	111.9	108.4	110.4	1.8
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	156.5	171.6	147.3	141.6	-3.9
Clothing stores	.462	123.0	126.4	127.1	127.1	—
Hardware stores	.098	105.5	110.8	107.2	109.3	2.0
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	125.8	125.5	123.4	117.2	-5.0
Drug stores	.290	119.5	127.1	124.3	125.7	1.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	124.1	124.5	124.8	125.3	0.4
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	121.6	121.4	121.8	121.9	0.1
Education and related services	6.509	110.9	110.3	111.7	112.0	0.3
Health and welfare service	5.272	127.6	128.0	128.0	128.7	0.5
Amusement and recreation services	.427	142.8	144.3	142.2	140.0	-1.5
Services to business management	2.311	128.8	127.4	128.3	127.2	-0.9
Personal services	1.000	107.8	108.2	108.4	109.0	0.5
Accommodation and food services	2.799	128.8	129.5	128.1	128.2	0.1
Public administration and defence	7.388	120.4	120.2	119.7	119.0	-0.5
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	114.9	114.9	115.4	116.8	1.2
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	118.5	119.7	119.9	120.4	0.4
Goods-producing industries	40.754	110.9	111.6	112.0	113.2	1.1
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	113.4	114.1	114.7	115.9	1.1
Service-producing industries	59.246	121.7	123.3	123.1	123.2	0.1
Commercial industries	81.341	117.7	119.2	119.2	119.9	0.6
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	119.2	120.7	120.8	121.5	0.6
Non-commercial industries	18.659	115.9	115.6	115.9	115.8	-0.1
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	110.3	110.3	111.1	113.2	1.9
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	118.4	118.6	117.8	119.3	1.3

Railway Carloadings, 7 days ended April 9, 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Railways in Canada reported loadings of 4.3 million short tons (3.9 million metric tonnes) of revenue freight in the first seven days of April, an increase of 0.7% over the previous year. Eastern loadings rose 10.1% while western loadings decreased 10.0%.

Piggyback traffic at 165,137 short tons (163,911 metric tonnes) was 0.7% higher.

Year-to-date freight loadings were up 0.1% while piggyback shipments decreased 3.1%.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms. For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending April 7

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,482,273	1,801,333	4,283,606
Short tons, 1975r	2,253,878	2,000,950	4,254,828
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 251 880	1 634 142	3 886 022
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 044 684	1 815 231	3 859 915
% change	10.1	-10.0	0.7
Cars, 1976	41,236	27,231	68,467
Cars, 1975r	38,773	31,685	70,458
% change	6.4	-14.1	-2.8
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	129,952	35,185	165,137
Short tons, 1975r	114,568	49,343	163,911
Metric tonnes, 1976	117 890	31 919	149 809
Metric tonnes, 1975	103 934	44 763	148 697
% change	13.4	-28.7	0.7
Cars, 1976	4,252	1,629	5,881
Cars, 1975r	3,999	2,365	6,364
% change	6.3	-31.1	-7.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	30,757,058	25,116,376	55,873,434**
Short tons, 1975r	30,824,359	25,009,127	55,833,486
Metric tonnes, 1976	27 902 334	22 785 193	50 687 527
Metric tonnes, 1975	27 963 388	22 687 898	50 651 286
% change	-0.2	0.4	0.1
Cars, 1976	527,133	392,386	919,519**
Cars, 1975r	535,315	401,130	936,445
% change	-1.5	-2.2	-1.8
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	1,711,011	652,349	2,363,360
Short tons, 1975r	1,801,218	638,043	2,439,261
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 552 203	591 801	2 144 004
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 634 037	578 823	2 212 860
% change	-5.0	2.2	-3.1
Cars, 1976	57,522	27,561	85,083
Cars, 1975r	62,021	30,730	92,751
% change	-7.3	-10.3	-8.3

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

rRevised figures.

Decorative Laminate Sheet, First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

Domestic shipments of 1/8 inch high pressure laminate sheet totalled 26.0 million square feet (2.4 million square metres) with a value of \$8.7 million in the first quarter of 1976. In the same quarter of 1975, totals were 12.5 million square feet (1.1 million square metres) and \$4.2 million.

For further information order the first quarter issue of *Rubber and Plastic Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, February 1976 — Advance Information.

February production of rubber increased to 37,497,000 pounds (17 008 000 kilograms) from 34,483,000 pounds (11 557 000 kilograms) in February 1975. Consumption of rubber increased to 103,126,000 pounds (46 780 000 kilograms) from 99,843,000 pounds (45 281 000 kilograms).

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Building Permits

January 1976 — Advance Information

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				Total
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial (\$000)	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	
Newfoundland	28	105	133	3,685	1	282	3	3,971
Prince Edward Island	28	38	66	1,353	93	350	—	1,796
Nova Scotia	185	156	341	8,986	807	3,300	448	13,541
New Brunswick	21	19	40	1,084	154	5,775	1,781	8,794
Quebec	596	1,805	2,401	49,472	7,733	59,206	3,060	119,471
Ontario	1,007	2,657	3,664	99,194	13,152	32,758	20,139	165,243
Manitoba	99	161	260	5,956	968	4,204	3,199	14,327
Saskatchewan	205	50	255	7,323	328	2,896	5,926	16,473
Alberta	811	1,533	2,344	59,972	1,994	13,647	7,055	82,668
British Columbia	1,125	974	2,099	60,513	2,303	10,171	12,844	85,831
Yukon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northwest Territories	3	—	3	137	—	193	—	330
Canada — Unadjusted	4,108	7,498	11,606	297,675	27,533	132,782	54,455	512,445
Canada — Adjusted	9,131	13,055	22,186	627,326	46,251	186,168	89,402	949,147
Metropolitan Areas	2,531	5,444	7,975	201,232	18,585	107,059	42,160	369,036
Calgary	230	328	558	13,507	358	3,409	3,720	20,994
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	22	—	22	617	193	226	20	1,056
Edmonton	287	943	1,230	30,370	1,262	7,847	1,658	41,137
Halifax	105	119	224	6,682	227	1,524	134	8,567
Hamilton	75	95	170	3,700	717	2,485	375	7,277
Hull	74	391	465	8,753	—	34,741	338	43,832
Kitchener	49	75	124	3,021	48	1,387	16	4,472
London	58	78	136	3,323	93	1,580	1,145	6,141
Montréal	330	1,116	1,446	28,375	6,649	18,602	1,984	55,610
Ottawa	7	326	333	8,394	90	1,886	1,214	11,584
Québec	42	10	52	1,917	74	3,562	1	5,554
Regina	100	2	102	3,253	116	1,154	2,155	6,678
St. Catharines-Niagara	156	75	231	5,879	312	1,745	726	8,662
Saint-John	7	2	9	444	146	619	51	1,260
St. John's	2	103	105	2,919	—	207	2	3,128
Saskatoon	45	42	87	1,902	120	851	3,746	6,619
Sudbury	1	8	9	92	351	280	220	943
Thunder Bay	17	88	105	2,766	200	50	77	3,093
Toronto	189	1,089	1,278	39,772	5,638	15,362	9,720	70,492
Vancouver	504	229	733	21,551	982	3,118	10,434	36,085
Victoria	85	179	264	7,096	98	1,108	882	9,184
Windsor	63	6	69	1,876	152	1,844	364	4,236
Winnipeg	83	140	223	5,023	759	3,472	3,178	12,432

Preliminary figures.

The value of building permits issued in January, seasonally adjusted, was \$949.1 million, a decrease of 7.4% from the December 1975 total of \$1,025.2 million. The January 1975 total was \$832.6 million.

The January total reflects an increase in the residential construction sector. In the non-residential sector, compared to December 1975, permits declined in all categories.

For further information order *Building Permits*, January 1976 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).

Consumer Credit, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly was \$18,715 million at the end of February, 14.7% more than a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of selected credit holders at the end of February 1976, with percent change from a year earlier:

- Chartered bank personal loans: \$13,332 million, up 20.8%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$59 million, up 34.1%.
- Life insurance company policy loans: \$1,166 million, up 7.7%.
- Sales finance and consumer company loans: small \$243 million, down 14.4%; large \$1,497 million, up 0.3%; retail instalment sales paper \$1,115 million, down 1.8%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,303 million, up 5.3%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$5,028 million at the end of the fourth quarter of 1975, up 15.3% from a year earlier. These holders include other retail stores, other credit-card issuers, credit unions and caisses populaires, public utilities, trust and mortgage and loan companies.

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the December quarter of 1975 totalled \$23,728 million, up 15.4% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Retail Trade Section, (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 17, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended April 17 totalled 265,589 short tons (240 938 metric tonnes), a decrease of 5.4% from the preceding week's total of 280,699 short tons (254 646 metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 294,780 tons (267 420 metric tonnes). The week's total for April 10 has been revised to 281,892 short tons (255 728 metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 221 metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 145.0 in the current week, 153.2 a week earlier and 160.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Enrolment in Community Colleges, 1972-73 and 1973-74 (81-222, 70¢)

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, February 1976 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Leather Glove Factories (33-204-p); Concrete Pipe Manufacturers (44-205-p-1); Refractories Manufacturers (44-214-p)

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Service Bulletin:

Phonograph Records and Pre-Recorded Tapes (47-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 2, Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-Recorded Tapes in Canada, February 1976

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, First Quarter 1976.

Preliminary estimates for the first quarter of 1976 showed a decrease in the average number of vacant jobs from the comparable period a year earlier. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs decreased to 46,400 from 61,300.

Vacancies for full-time jobs decreased 23.8% to 42,800. The number of longer-term vacancies — jobs unfilled for more than four weeks — decreased 38.2% to 15,600.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period six were vacant, a decrease of two vacancies per 1,000 jobs from last year.

The highest vacancy rates were in the Prairie provinces — Alberta 11, Saskatchewan eight and Manitoba seven per 1,000. The lowest vacancy rate, three per 1,000, was in Newfoundland.

Compared with the first quarter of 1975, vacancy rates decreased in all provinces. The largest rate decrease was in Manitoba, down to seven from 14 per 1,000, followed by Ontario, down to four from eight. Vacancy rates in Quebec remained the same at six per 1,000.

For further information, contact J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Vacancy Rates for Part- and Full-time Jobs Canada, Regions and Provinces

	1st Quarter 1976p	1st Quarter 1975
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)	
Canada	6	8
Atlantic Region	5	8
Newfoundland	3	6
Nova Scotia	5	7
New Brunswick	7	10
Quebec Region	6	6
Ontario Region	4	8
Prairie Region	9	13
Manitoba	7	14
Saskatchewan	8	10
Alberta	11	14
Pacific Region	4	5

p Preliminary estimates.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Roundwood production decreased 50.8% to 881,278 cunits in February from 1,791,708 cunits in February 1975. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue decreased 21.1% to 1,826,232 cunits from 2,314,869 and the closing inventory of these two products increased 5.0% to 12,119,818 cunits from 11,538,897. Receipts of wood residue decreased 8.1% to 806,119 cunits from 876,966.

For further information, order the February issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Electric Power Statistics, 1974 — Advance Information.

Net generation (total generation less energy used in generating station service) increased 6.3% in 1974 to 280.0 billion kwh. from 263.3 billion in 1973. Generation by electric utilities increased 6.9% to 241.0 billion kwh. from 225.4 billion, accounting for 86.1% of the total production. Generation by industry increased 2.1% to 38.8 billion kwh. from 38.0 billion.

While total generation rose 6.3%, electric energy made available in Canada increased 7.2%, with imports increasing 8.4% to 2.44 billion kwh. from 2.25 billion and exports decreasing 5.5% to 15.40 billion from 16.29 billion.

Total sales of electricity to ultimate customers (including sales to industrial establishments with generating facilities) increased 6.4% to 214.1 billion kwh. from the 1973 total of 201.3 billion. General service customers purchased 153.0 billion kwh. or 71.5% of the total (72.3% in 1973); and domestic and farm customers 59.3 billion kwh. or 27.7% (26.8% in 1973). Street lighting accounted for the remaining 1.8 billion kwh. of electricity sold.

Further details will be contained in *Electric Power Statistics, Vol. II, 1974* (57-202, \$1.40), or contact D. Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of April amounted to 99.4 million pounds compared with 93.1 million in March and 106.7 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Tobacco Products, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of cigarettes for March amounted to 6.5 billion compared to 4.8 billion for March 1975.

Production of cigars for March was 53 million compared to 45 million.

For further information, order *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Service Bulletin* (32-022, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic and Foreign Control, 1969 and 1970 — Correction.

In the announcement of a new biennial series of reports, *Domestic and Foreign Control of Manufacturing Establishments in Canada* for 1969 and 1970, in the *Daily of Wednesday, April 14*, the Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division inadvertently supplied the wrong catalogue number. The correct one is 31-401.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

April 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Apr. 15/76 This week	Apr. 9/76 Week ago	Mar. 26/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	108.8	109.7	110.5
Industrials	85	112.8	114.1	116.0
Foods	9	95.9	97.3	98.7
Alcoholic beverages	5	86.6	88.5	89.9
Textiles and clothing	3	128.8	135.4	135.8
Pulp and paper	7	154.1	154.3	160.3
Printing and publishing	5	137.3	139.1	138.2
Primary metals	4	122.7	122.8	122.4
Industrial mines	6	95.5	96.0	99.4
Metal fabricating	9	215.7	222.1	228.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	109.8	109.9	113.4
Petroleum	8	105.3	106.9	106.0
Chemicals	5	145.1	145.8	145.9
Construction	5	199.4	199.8	206.4
Trade	15	97.7	99.3	101.4
Utilities and services	28	89.0	89.5	88.4
Transportation	6	123.6	124.1	123.4
Pipelines	5	76.7	77.5	75.1
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	105.0	106.4	106.7
Telephone	4	90.6	90.9	89.7
Electric power	3	103.3	104.0	104.0
Gas distribution	5	65.4	65.3	65.4
Finances	21	118.7	118.6	116.4
Banks	8	123.0	122.8	119.1
Investment and loan	9	110.3	110.0	111.8
Insurance	4	100.7	101.6	100.5
Mining Index	17	104.4	104.0	111.2
Gold	9	165.3	161.9	178.8
Base metals	8	75.2	76.2	78.8
Uranium	2	217.4	219.5	223.3
Primary oils and gas index	5	102.6	103.2	101.2

For further information, order the April issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

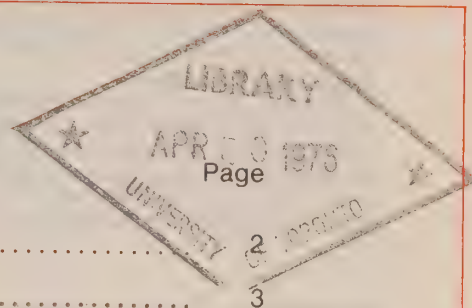
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Manufacturing Industries of Canada: National and Provincial Areas, 1973 (31-203, \$2.80)

Merchandising Inventories, January 1976 (63-014, 40¢/\$4)

Qualifications and Age of Teachers in Degree-Granting Institutions, 1971-1972 (81-243, 70¢)

International Travel, Advance Information (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to February 29, 1976 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, February 1976 (63-007, 30¢/\$3)

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, February 1976 (33-001, 30¢/\$3)

Shipments of Prepared Stocks and Poultry Feeds, January 1976 (32-004, 40¢/\$4)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, January 1976 (35-002, 30¢/\$3)

Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, February 1976 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, March 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat.

Canada's merchandise trade in March, measured on a balance-of-payments basis, was in deficit by \$63 million. Seasonally-adjusted exports and imports each declined slightly from their February levels.

For the first quarter as a whole both exports and imports reached record levels of \$8,942 million and \$9,204 million, respectively. The first-quarter deficit of \$262 million was the largest since the first quarter of 1975.

Exports (Customs Basis)

In March, seasonally-adjusted exports declined 9.5%, including a drop of nearly 40% in exports to Japan. Wheat shipments were 50% lower than the January and February levels but exports of newsprint paper increased substantially.

In the first quarter of 1976, exports were 8.6% higher than in the fourth quarter of 1975. Shipments to the United Kingdom

and other European Economic Community countries increased 30% and to Japan over 20%.

Imports (Customs Basis)

Imports declined 7.5% in March, seasonally adjusted. The decline was broadly distributed geographically, although imports from Japan declined 13%.

In the first quarter of 1976 imports were 7.9% higher than in the fourth quarter of 1975. Imports from Japan increased 42% between the two quarters, but imports from the United States grew only 4%. There was a sharp increase in imports of motor vehicle parts in the first quarter.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the March issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

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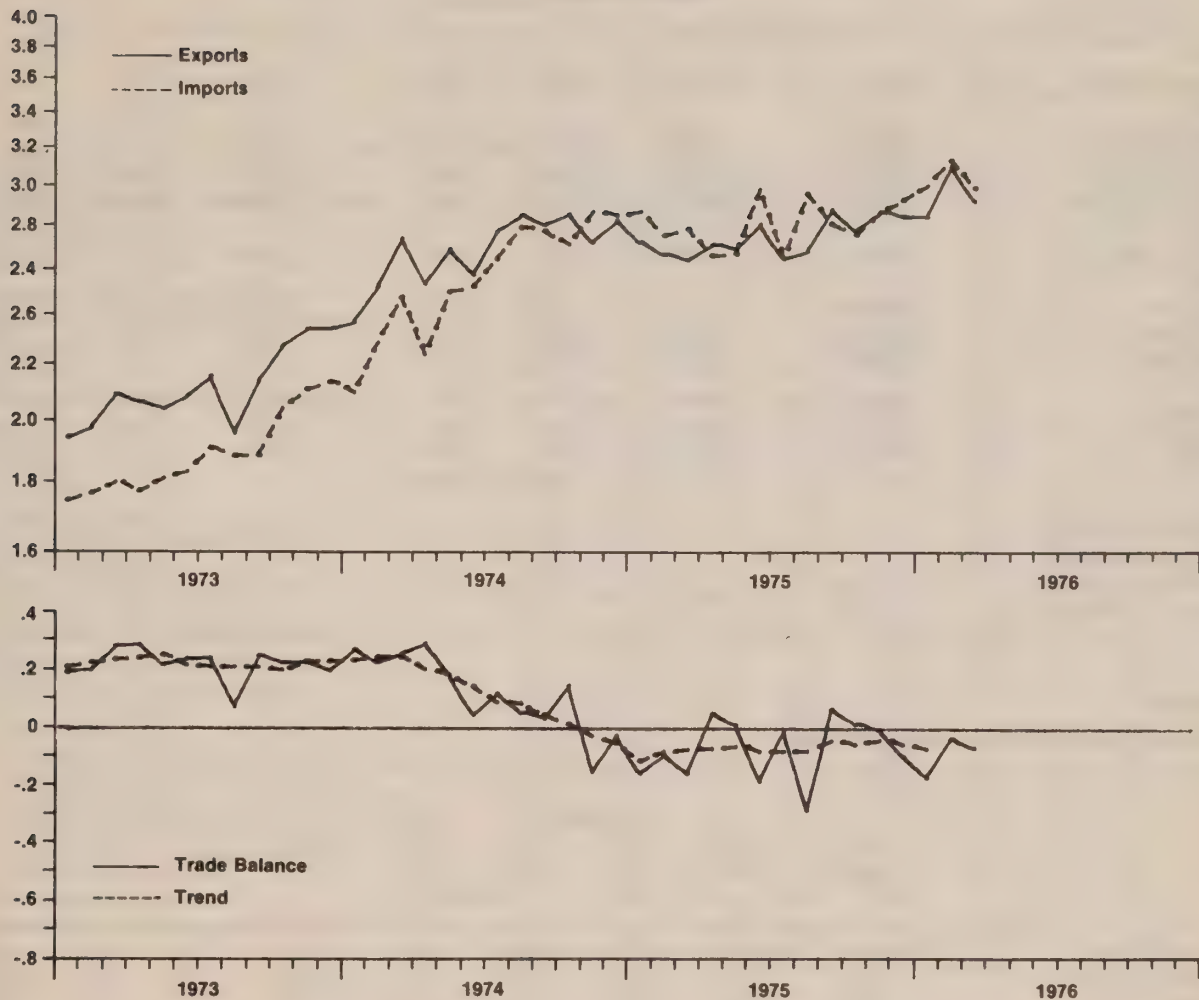
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	Customs Basis		Balance of Payments Basis				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1974							
Fourth Quarter	8,729	8,865	8,871	8,683	8,446	8,462	-16
1975							
First Quarter	7,677	8,271	7,538	8,103	8,063	8,461	-398
Second Quarter	8,729	9,262	8,858	9,063	8,246	8,358	-112
Third Quarter	7,701	8,115	7,798	7,932	8,254	8,467	-213
Fourth Quarter	8,752	8,891	8,912	8,803	8,543	8,615	-72
1976							
First Quarter	8,680	9,118	8,480	8,953	8,942	9,204	-262
1975							
October	2,980	3,100	3,057	3,011	2,796	2,774	22
November	2,861	2,984	2,983	2,918	2,884	2,887	-3
December	2,911	2,807	2,872	2,874	2,863	2,954	-91
1976							
January	2,825	2,899	2,689	2,843	2,863	3,030	-167
February	2,931	2,974	2,863	2,904	3,130	3,162	-32
March	2,924	3,245	2,928	3,206	2,949	3,012	-63

*In the above table, seasonally-adjusted export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in *Summary of External Trade*. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to *Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments* (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
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(see tables on pages 4-9)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, April 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on April 1 totalled 30.8 million pounds compared with 42.0 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 120.6 million pounds (97.1 million in 1975).

For further information order the April issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1974							
Fourth Quarter	8,622.0	6,609.7	5,738.1	316.2	2,567.7	516.4	425.8
1975							
First Quarter	8,679.1	6,914.9	5,571.8	334.5	2,772.8	584.9	395.3
Second Quarter	8,590.9	6,615.0	5,781.5	311.7	2,497.7	511.6	297.9
Third Quarter	8,653.8	6,515.7	6,040.2	289.8	2,323.8	483.6	256.3
Fourth Quarter	8,694.8	6,451.2	6,126.7	288.8	2,279.3	498.8	268.9
1976							
First Quarter	9,383.5	7,150.5	6,368.2	308.7	2,706.6	521.9	383.2
1975							
October	2,877.9	2,172.4	2,016.0	110.0	751.9	166.3	92.0
November	2,947.8	2,114.5	2,135.8	88.2	723.8	158.5	93.9
December	2,869.1	2,164.3	1,974.9	90.6	803.6	174.0	83.0
1976							
January	3,127.5	2,459.3	1,993.9	95.7	1,037.9	162.7	118.8
February	3,251.3	2,420.5	2,272.5	105.0	873.8	173.2	141.5
March	3,004.5	2,270.7	2,101.7	108.0	794.8	186.0	122.9
Percent changes							
March/February	-7.5	-6.1	-7.5	2.8	-9.0	7.3	-13.1
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	7.9	10.8	3.9	6.9	18.7	4.6	42.4
March 76/March 75	5.6	0.6	9.6	-2.8	-2.8	0.7	22.2

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Mar. 1975	Feb. 1975	Jan. 1975	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,295.3	2,119.4	1,856.6	1,952.4	1,704.4	1,735.2	17.5	24.3	6.9
United Kingdom	113.9	91.9	92.4	110.5	97.5	107.4	3.0	-5.6	-13.8
Other E.E.C.	181.0	139.0	151.5	170.0	162.3	185.5	6.4	-14.3	-18.3
Japan	126.2	113.0	112.3	94.1	116.9	145.3	34.0	-3.4	-22.7
Other O.E.C.D.	99.0	74.5	96.9	115.7	84.5	84.7	-14.4	-11.8	14.3
Other America	108.9	125.7	202.8	139.3	138.7	201.0	-21.8	-9.4	0.9
Other Countries	320.9	310.6	386.3	268.5	287.2	369.9	19.5	8.1	4.4
All Countries	3,245.2	2,974.1	2,898.8	2,850.5	2,591.5	2,829.0	13.8	14.7	2.4
	Year-to-Date						Mar.-Mar. Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Mar. 1975	Feb. 1975	Mar. 1974	Feb. 1974	76/75	75/74	
United States	6,271.2	3,975.9	5,392.0	3,439.6	4,822.7	3,076.9	16.3	11.8	
United Kingdom	298.3	184.4	315.3	204.8	227.1	146.5	-5.4	38.8	
Other E.E.C.	471.5	290.5	517.8	347.8	369.1	232.1	-8.9	40.2	
Japan	351.4	225.2	356.4	262.3	249.0	160.0	-1.3	43.1	
Other O.E.C.D.	270.4	171.4	284.9	169.2	224.1	153.9	-5.1	27.1	
Other America	437.4	328.5	479.1	339.8	446.0	262.9	-8.7	7.4	
Other Countries	1,017.8	696.9	925.6	657.1	494.4	314.0	9.9	87.2	
All Countries	9,118.0	5,872.8	8,271.1	5,420.6	6,832.4	4,346.3	10.2	21.0	

Tableau 3

Importations en provenance de l'ensemble des pays par sections et groupes de marchandises principaux

	Chiffres mensuels						Variations en pourcentage d'une année à l'autre		
	mars	fév.	janv.	mars	fév.	janv.	mars	fév.	janv.
	1976	1976	1976	1975	1975	1975			
	(\$ millions)								
Animaux vivants	15.0	7.2	4.1	7.5	4.9	10.4	101.0	47.2	-60.6
Aliments, provendes, boissons et tabacs	207.3	183.8	190.8	176.5	165.6	239.7	17.4	11.0	-20.4
Viandes et poissons	40.4	39.8	37.5	22.7	25.6	29.1	77.5	55.3	28.8
Fruits et légumes	64.6	58.5	62.4	53.8	53.8	62.3	20.0	8.8	0.0
Sucre brut	19.8	16.1	11.3	31.5	3.5	70.9	-37.2	358.2	-83.9
Matières brutes, non comestibles	328.4	341.6	571.3	384.2	373.4	502.0	-14.5	-8.5	13.8
Minéraux, concentrés, déchets métallifères	19.2	22.0	26.6	30.2	23.3	37.5	-36.3	-5.6	-29.2
Charbon	2.0	2.3	42.3	10.2	17.5	28.1	-80.1	-86.9	50.6
Pétrole brut	235.4	249.3	423.4	286.7	277.9	352.9	-17.8	-10.2	19.9
Matières travaillées, non comestibles	544.8	507.0	534.5	468.5	461.2	557.3	16.2	9.9	-4.0
Bois et papier	74.1	75.8	68.7	37.1	34.2	39.1	99.6	121.7	75.8
Textiles	75.1	73.3	104.8	53.1	53.5	62.0	41.4	37.0	68.8
Produits chimiques	146.1	134.7	130.3	123.5	112.6	130.6	18.3	19.6	-0.2
Fer et acier	48.8	54.3	51.8	83.0	86.5	127.4	-41.1	-37.2	-59.3
Barres et tiges en acier	6.8	5.6	6.2	11.2	15.6	21.5	-39.7	-64.3	-71.1
Tôles, feuilles et feuillards d'acier	13.2	17.5	15.4	24.7	26.7	52.1	-46.4	-34.4	-70.4
Métaux non-ferreux	42.2	27.5	33.7	33.4	35.1	52.1	26.5	-21.6	-35.3
Produits finis, non-comestibles	2,038.6	1,899.4	1,573.5	1,787.7	1,565.5	1,494.7	14.0	21.3	5.2
Machines d'usage général	121.0	110.9	99.2	126.9	110.5	111.8	-4.6	0.3	-11.2
Machines pour industries spéciales	158.1	162.1	146.6	159.3	143.3	153.4	-0.7	13.1	-4.4
Machines-outils, travail des métaux	13.7	11.3	12.4	16.0	14.1	15.0	-14.4	-19.9	-17.3
Machines et tracteurs agricoles	126.5	109.6	95.3	116.0	93.6	83.3	9.1	17.0	14.4
Matériel de transport	965.4	892.4	671.4	833.9	677.5	604.5	15.7	31.7	11.0
Sedans neufs	229.2	208.9	133.4	165.8	148.9	116.2	38.2	40.2	14.8
Camions, tracteurs routiers et châssis	71.4	74.3	49.0	63.0	68.8	47.2	13.3	8.0	3.9
Moteurs de véhicules automobiles	43.2	43.6	35.1	35.8	26.5	31.9	20.6	64.8	10.1
Pièces de moteurs de véhicules automobiles	38.8	41.4	30.7	30.1	26.2	22.2	28.7	57.8	38.5
Pièces de véhicules automobiles sauf moteurs	425.6	389.8	302.4	298.6	268.0	255.4	42.5	45.4	18.3
Avions complets, y compris moteurs	9.9	7.0	7.3	73.2	11.3	17.1	-86.4	-37.9	-57.0
Autre matériel et outils	349.9	326.2	294.7	299.6	279.1	291.1	16.8	16.8	1.2
Ordinateurs électroniques	34.0	28.3	27.8	23.8	26.6	31.6	42.6	6.4	-11.9
Transactions spéciales commerciales	111.1	34.9	24.7	26.3	21.0	25.0	321.7	66.1	-1.4
Total	3,245.2	2,974.1	2,898.8	2,850.5	2,591.5	2,829.0	4.3	14.7	2.4

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Tableau 3 (suite)

Importations en provenance de l'ensemble des pays par sections et groupes de marchandises principaux

	Chiffres cumulatifs						mars-mars Variations en pourcentage d'une année à l'autre	
	mars 1976	fév. 1976	mars 1975	fév. 1975	mars 1974	fév. 1974	76/75	75/74
	(\$ millions)							
Animaux vivants	26.3	11.3	22.7	15.2	44.7	22.3	15.7	-49.1
Aliments, provendes, boissons et tabacs	581.9	374.6	581.8	405.3	470.9	317.3	0.0	23.5
Viandes et poissons	117.7	77.3	77.5	54.7	85.0	57.8	51.9	-8.8
Fruits et légumes	185.4	120.8	169.9	116.1	138.3	90.3	9.1	22.8
Sucre brut	47.2	27.4	105.9	74.4	38.9	28.2	-55.4	172.0
Matières brutes, non comestibles	1,241.3	912.9	1,259.5	875.4	824.4	498.8	-1.4	52.7
Minerais, concentrés, déchets métallifères	67.8	48.5	91.0	60.8	72.2	37.8	-25.5	26.0
Charbon	46.6	44.6	55.8	45.6	12.3	9.5	-16.4	353.7
Pétrole brut	908.1	672.7	917.5	630.9	534.3	320.1	-1.0	71.7
Matières travaillées, non comestibles	1,586.2	1,041.5	1,486.9	1,018.4	1,301.2	818.3	6.6	14.2
Bois et papier	218.7	144.6	110.4	73.3	131.1	85.4	98.0	-15.7
Textiles	253.1	178.0	168.6	115.5	193.4	127.5	50.1	-12.8
Produits chimiques	411.0	265.0	366.6	243.2	302.1	187.1	12.1	21.3
Fer et acier	155.0	106.1	296.9	213.9	207.7	131.6	-47.7	42.9
Barres et tiges en acier	18.5	11.8	48.3	37.1	43.2	27.8	-61.6	12.0
Tôles, feuilles et feuillards d'acier	46.2	32.9	103.5	78.8	66.7	43.2	-55.3	55.1
Métaux non-ferreux	103.5	61.2	120.7	87.3	131.4	73.6	-14.2	-8.1
Produits finis, non comestibles	5,511.5	3,472.9	4,847.9	3,060.2	4,134.9	2,657.8	13.6	17.2
Machines d'usage général	331.0	210.1	349.2	222.3	250.5	160.4	-5.1	39.4
Machines pour industries spéciales	466.8	308.6	455.9	296.7	334.1	210.7	2.3	36.4
Machines-outils, travail des métaux	37.4	23.7	45.1	29.1	31.9	19.5	-17.1	41.6
Machines et tracteurs agricoles	331.4	204.9	292.9	176.9	168.5	104.2	13.1	73.8
Matériel de transport	2,529.3	1,563.9	2,115.9	1,282.0	1,975.1	1,284.4	19.5	7.1
Sedans neufs	571.5	342.3	430.9	265.1	384.6	242.5	32.6	12.0
Camions, tracteurs, routiers et châssis	194.8	123.3	179.0	115.9	199.5	129.7	8.8	-10.2
Moteurs de véhicules automobiles	122.0	78.7	94.2	58.3	96.3	63.7	29.5	-2.1
Pièces de moteurs de véhicules automobiles	110.9	72.1	78.5	48.4	74.2	50.1	41.2	5.7
Pièces de véhicules automobiles sauf moteurs	1,117.8	692.1	822.0	523.4	797.6	549.7	35.9	3.0
Avions complets, y compris moteurs	24.2	14.3	101.6	28.4	123.5	64.5	-76.1	-17.7
Autre matériel et outils	970.7	620.9	869.7	570.2	785.8	498.2	11.6	10.6
Ordinateurs électroniques	90.1	56.1	82.0	58.1	83.2	50.2	9.8	-1.4
Transactions spéciales commerciales	170.7	59.5	72.4	46.0	56.2	31.8	135.8	28.6
Total	9,118.0	5,872.8	8,271.1	5,420.6	6,832.4	4,346.3	6.9	21.0

Tableau 4

Exportations totales, corrigés des variations saisonnières, base douanière

	Total	Total sauf automobiles	Total non compris auto. et blé	É.-U.	R.-U.	Total non compris É.-U. et R.-U.	Autres C.É.E.	Japon
	(\$ millions)							
1974								
Quatrième trimestre	8,320.1	6,793.2	6,326.1	5,648.0	484.1	2,188.0	560.8	485.0
1975								
Premier trimestre	8,193.2	6,833.5	6,355.1	5,273.3	560.8	2,359.1	607.4	452.6
Deuxième trimestre	8,162.7	6,552.5	5,980.7	5,072.5	440.8	2,649.4	635.7	600.7
Troisième trimestre	8,157.7	6,464.9	6,068.4	5,480.8	456.5	2,220.4	600.1	555.5
Quatrième trimestre	8,404.3	6,819.4	6,276.3	5,753.1	347.6	2,303.6	487.8	527.5
1976								
Premier trimestre.	9,126.9	7,277.7	6,792.2	6,054.8	458.5	2,613.6	621.3	652.8
1975								
Octobre	2,783.8	2,190.7	2,009.9	1,932.8	86.5	764.5	112.2	19
Novembre	2,781.7	2,268.7	2,111.5	1,921.8	117.2	742.7	179.9	11
Décembre	2,838.6	2,360.1	2,154.9	1,898.4	143.9	796.3	195.6	216.0
1976								
Janvier	3,063.6	2,435.8	2,289.3	1,967.8	127.4	968.4	231.7	235.7
Février	3,184.0	2,545.8	2,329.1	2,130.6	160.4	893.0	206.1	257.7
Mars	2,879.3	2,296.2	2,173.8	1,956.4	170.7	752.2	183.5	159.4
	Variations en pourcentage							
Mars/février	-9.5	-9.7	-6.6	-8.1	6.4	-15.7	-10.9	-38.1
3 mois courants/ 3 mois précédents	8.6	6.7	8.2	5.2	31.9	13.4	27.3	23.7
mars 76/mars. 75	11.3	7.7	7.2	12.7	-6.6	12.6	-4.5	48.4

Tableau 5

Exportations totales par marchés principaux

	Chiffres mensuels						Variations en pourcentage d'une année à l'autre		
	mars 1976	fév. 1976	janv. 1976	mars 1975	fév. 1975	janv. 1975	mars	fév.	janv.
	(\$ millions)								
États-Unis	2,119.2	2,025.2	1,809.6	1,766.4	1,684.0	1,646.8	19.9	20.2	9.8
Royaume-Uni	151.1	150.0	120.7	155.6	176.4	181.5	-2.8	-14.9	-33.5
Autres C.É.E.	157.2	167.0	228.1	157.7	172.5	204.5	-0.3	-3.1	11.5
Japon	159.6	225.2	216.8	98.1	109.7	213.5	62.6	105.3	1.5
Autres O.C.D.E.	73.0	81.9	61.6	79.3	79.7	79.4	-8.0	2.8	-22.4
Autres Amérique	100.0	97.0	122.1	117.0	140.3	147.2	-14.5	-30.8	-17.0
Autres pays	163.7	184.8	266.3	90.2	145.3	232.2	81.4	27.1	14.6
Ensemble des pays	2,923.8	2,931.1	2,825.2	2,464.3	2,507.9	2,705.1	18.6	16.8	4.4
	Chiffres cumulatifs						mars-mars Variations en pourcentage		
	mars 1976	fév. 1976	mars 1975	fév. 1975	mars 1974	fév. 1974	76/75	75/74	
États-Unis	5,953.9	3,834.7	5,097.2	3,330.8	4,722.1	3,034.6	16.8	7.9	
Royaume-Uni	421.8	270.7	513.4	357.8	422.5	274.1	-17.8	21.5	
Autres C.É.E.	552.2	395.0	534.7	377.0	448.6	294.0	3.2	19.2	
Japon	601.6	442.0	421.3	323.2	568.1	382.7	42.7	-25.8	
Autres O.C.D.E.	216.5	143.5	238.4	159.1	232.3	148.8	-9.1	2.6	
Autres Amérique	319.1	219.1	404.5	287.5	305.9	202.4	-21.1	32.2	
Autres pays	614.8	451.0	467.8	377.5	353.4	229.3	31.4	32.3	
Ensemble des pays	8,679.9	5,756.0	7,677.3	5,212.9	7,052.9	4,565.9	13.0	8.8	

Tableau 6

Exportations nationales vers l'ensemble des pays par sections et groupes de marchandises principaux

	Chiffres mensuels						Variations en pourcentage		
	mars	fév.	janv.	mars	fév.	janv.	mars	fév.	janv.
	1976	1976	1976	1975	1975	1975			
	(\$ millions)								
Animaux vivants	8.0	9.4	10.0	3.2	2.6	2.7	150.0	257.5	264.2
Aliments, provendes, boissons et tabacs	208.0	317.7	353.8	165.9	222.7	383.3	25.3	42.6	-7.6
Viandes et poissons	54.3	52.2	45.3	37.8	37.1	40.5	43.8	40.8	11.8
Céréales et préparations	93.2	215.5	253.8	70.9	127.4	277.1	31.4	69.1	-8.4
Blé	72.9	150.2	158.0	53.7	98.9	231.1	35.8	51.8	-31.6
Matières brutes, non comestibles	579.0	628.0	739.4	576.6	617.6	716.4	0.4	1.6	3.2
Minerais, concentrés, déchets métallifères	134.8	138.8	150.8	153.9	136.1	165.8	-12.3	1.9	-9.0
Pétrole brut	184.6	196.9	291.3	245.0	296.3	328.4	-24.6	-33.5	-11.2
Gaz naturel	128.1	136.9	136.7	76.5	83.0	63.2	67.5	64.8	116.4
Matières travaillées, non comestibles	963.6	901.5	847.7	817.2	836.7	866.0	17.9	7.7	-2.1
Bois et papier	486.4	429.9	406.0	436.3	444.2	435.8	11.4	-3.2	-6.8
Bois d'oeuvre, résineux	119.4	111.8	99.6	56.5	73.4	58.0	111.1	52.2	71.6
Pâte de bois et pâte similaire	168.8	182.8	171.2	162.3	167.7	170.2	4.0	8.9	0.6
Papier journal	149.1	90.6	84.6	175.2	162.8	168.0	-14.8	-44.3	-49.6
Textiles	8.6	7.9	9.8	9.6	8.0	8.1	-10.5	-0.4	21.2
Produits chimiques	123.5	110.3	96.7	101.1	82.4	96.1	22.2	33.9	0.5
Engrais et matières fertilisantes	58.2	48.5	42.2	51.1	39.0	49.3	13.9	24.1	-14.3
Dérivés du pétrole et du charbon	42.5	63.2	73.4	45.5	44.0	58.6	-6.5	43.5	25.4
Fer et acier	63.5	70.0	60.1	63.7	59.5	79.1	-0.3	17.7	-23.9
Métaux non-ferreux	185.0	159.3	149.1	116.3	145.5	139.7	59.1	9.4	6.7
Cuivre et alliages	42.9	44.8	42.6	33.0	55.4	37.0	30.0	-19.1	15.3
Nickel et alliages	37.5	29.5	23.5	31.1	33.6	40.6	20.7	-12.3	-42.2
Produits finis, non comestibles	1,076.0	997.6	815.1	826.5	760.2	671.9	30.2	31.2	21.3
Machinerie industrielle	72.7	66.9	67.1	77.9	76.8	80.9	-6.5	-12.8	-17.0
Machines et tracteurs agricoles	47.8	57.1	30.8	52.5	45.8	36.9	-8.9	24.8	-16.5
Matériel de transport	774.7	691.3	581.7	550.1	505.7	419.6	40.8	36.7	38.6
Voitures particulières et châssis	307.7	291.8	251.7	268.7	219.2	173.0	14.5	33.1	45.5
Camions, tracteurs routiers et châssis	110.9	107.8	96.3	78.8	108.2	76.9	40.6	-0.3	25.2
Moteurs de véhicules automobiles et pièces	63.9	64.3	47.0	29.7	27.7	27.0	114.9	131.6	74.1
Pièces de véhicules automobiles sauf moteurs	178.7	178.3	137.5	115.2	100.8	93.2	55.0	76.9	47.4
Autre matériel et outils	71.1	64.4	50.0	65.7	60.4	59.9	8.1	6.7	-16.5
Transactions spéciales commerciales	25.3	13.7	6.0	6.5	3.2	3.1	290.1	324.3	92.2
Total	2,859.9	2,867.9	2,772.0	2,395.9	2,443.0	2,643.4	19.3	17.3	4.8

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Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date				Mar.-Mar.		Percent
	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Mar. 1975	Feb. 1975	Mar. 1974	Feb. 1974	
	(\$ millions)						76/75 75/74
Live Animals	27.4	19.4	8.6	5.4	22.3	14.3	219.4 -61.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	879.5	671.6	771.8	605.9	747.6	495.2	13.9 3.2
Meat and fish	151.8	97.5	115.3	77.6	130.5	85.8	31.6 -11.6
Cereals and preparations	562.6	469.3	475.4	404.5	444.5	296.4	18.3 6.9
Wheat	381.1	308.2	383.7	330.0	357.8	233.2	-0.6 7.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,946.3	1,367.4	1,910.6	1,334.0	1,566.8	991.6	1.8 21.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	424.4	289.6	455.8	302.0	476.7	342.4	-6.8 -4.3
Crude petroleum	672.8	488.2	869.7	624.7	638.2	361.7	-22.6 36.2
Natural gas	401.7	273.6	222.7	146.2	106.3	73.5	80.4 109.5
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	2,712.8	1,749.2	2,519.9	1,702.7	2,403.6	1,577.3	7.6 4.8
Wood and paper	1,322.3	835.9	1,316.2	879.9	1,242.3	823.7	0.4 5.9
Lumber, softwood	330.9	211.4	188.0	131.5	326.6	210.8	75.9 -42.4
Woodpulp and similar pulp	522.8	354.0	500.2	337.9	388.2	258.9	4.5 28.8
Newsprint paper	324.3	175.2	506.0	330.8	378.2	256.1	-35.8 33.7
Textiles	26.3	17.7	25.6	16.0	32.2	21.2	2.6 -20.4
Chemicals	330.5	207.0	279.5	178.5	214.2	134.0	18.2 30.5
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	148.9	90.7	139.4	88.3	92.0	56.1	6.8 51.4
Petroleum and coal products	179.1	136.6	148.0	102.6	140.1	95.0	21.0 5.7
Iron and steel	193.7	130.2	202.3	138.6	132.6	88.9	-4.2 52.5
Non-ferrous metals	493.4	308.4	401.4	285.2	484.9	310.4	22.9 -17.2
Copper and alloys	130.3	87.4	125.3	92.3	166.1	109.8	3.9 -24.5
Nickel and alloys	90.5	53.0	105.3	74.3	96.2	56.4	-14.0 9.5
End Products, Inedible	2,888.8	1,812.7	2,258.6	1,432.1	2,145.5	1,384.8	27.9 5.2
Industrial machinery	206.8	134.1	235.6	157.7	168.9	104.1	-12.2 39.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	135.7	88.0	135.2	82.7	81.6	49.2	0.4 65.5
Transportation equipment	2,047.7	1,273.0	1,475.4	925.3	1,516.7	993.3	38.7 -2.7
Passenger automobiles and chassis	851.3	543.5	660.9	392.2	696.6	475.5	28.8 -5.1
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	315.0	204.1	263.9	185.1	216.8	144.2	19.3 21.7
Motor vehicle engines and parts	175.2	111.3	84.5	54.8	107.2	71.2	107.3 -21.2
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	494.5	315.8	309.3	194.0	335.5	208.2	59.8 -7.8
Other equipment and tools	185.5	114.4	186.0	120.2	152.6	97.4	-0.2 21.8
Special Transactions, Trade	45.0	19.7	12.8	6.4	11.2	8.0	250.2 15.1
Total	8,499.8	5,639.9	7,482.3	5,086.4	6,897.0	4,471.1	13.6 8.4

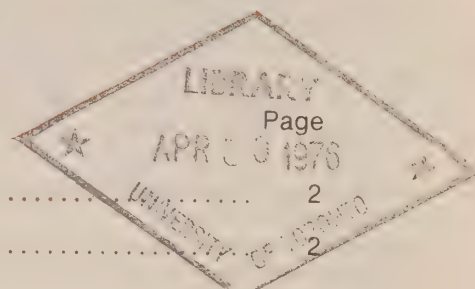
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Survey of Consumer Finances, Volume II, Selected Reports, 1970 (13-551, \$2.10)

Coffin and Casket Industry, 1974 (35-210, 70¢)

Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics, October-December 1975 (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80)

Exports by Commodities, January 1976 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

Educational Staff in Community Colleges, 1971-72 (81-227, 70¢)

Educational Staff in Public Trade Schools and Similar Institutions, 1972-73 (81-251, \$1.05)

Estimates of Labour Income, December 1975 (72-005, 40¢/\$4)

Security Transactions with Non-residents, December 1975 (67-002, 40¢/\$4)



Consolidated Government Finance, 1973 — Advance Information.

For the fiscal year ending nearest to December 31, 1973, consolidated government revenue for all levels of government totalled \$47,713 million, an increase of \$7,123 million or 17.6% over 1972. Tax revenue of \$38,560 million showed an increase of \$5,410 million or 16.3%. Non-tax revenue amounted to \$9,153 million.

Consolidated government expenditure for all levels of government amounted to \$47,012 for the fiscal year ending nearest to December 31, 1973, an increase of \$6,004 million or 14.6% over 1972. Social welfare (\$10,539 million), education (\$7,303 million) and health (\$6,069 million) were the largest expenditures and represented, respectively, 22.4%, 15.5% and 12.9% of total consolidated government expenditure.

For further information, please contact Mr. L. Vincent or Mr. R. Larocque (613-995-0664), Research and Consolidation Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian mills shipped 202,725,000 sq. ft. (3/8" basis) of softwood plywood in February, up from 161,049,000 sq. ft. in February 1975.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 34,694,000 sq. ft. surface measure for February, an increase of 40.3% from February 1975.

For further information, order the February issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Fruit and Vegetable Preparations, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

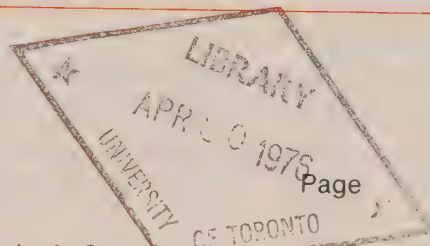
Total factory sales of domestic jams, jellies and marmalades for the fourth quarter of 1975 amounted to 23,478,237 lbs. compared to 24,741,442 lbs. for the same period in 1974.

For further information order the December issue of *Fruit and Vegetable Preparations* (32-017, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics, January 1976 (73-001-p, N/C)**
- Shipping Statistics, November 1975 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)**
- Private Elementary and Secondary Schools, 1974-75 (81-215, \$1.05)**
- Coarse Grains Review, February 1976 (22-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)**
- Distilleries, 1974 (32-206, 70¢)**
- Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, January 1976 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)**
- Fish Freezings and Stocks, January 1976 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)**
- For-hire Trucking Survey, 1973 (53-224, \$1.05)**
- Industrial Research and Development Expenditures in Canada, 1973-1975 (13-203, \$1.05)**
- Building Permits, Annual Summary, 1975 (64-203, \$1.05)**

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Housing Starts and Completions, February 1976 (64-002, 40¢/\$4)

The Dairy Review, January 1976 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, February 1976 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for the series): Biscuit Manufacturers (32-202-p); paper and Plastic Bag Manufacturers (36-207-p); Office and Store Machinery Manufacturers (42-216-p)

Service Bulletins:

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 3, Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products' March 1976

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 1, Factory Shipments of High Pressure Decorative Laminate Sheet, Quarter Ended March 31, 1976

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended April 14, 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Rail freight loaded in Canada in the week was down 12.4% from the 1975 period to 4.0 million short tons (3.6 million metric tonnes) and the number of carloads fell 15.0% to 64,809.

Piggyback traffic at 161,553 short tons (146 559 metric tonnes) was 10.8% below the 1975 level.

Cumulatively, 59.9 million short tons (54.4 metric tonnes) have been hauled by rail in 1976, a decline of 0.7% from the January 1—April 14 period of 1975. Piggyback movements were down 3.6% to 2.5 million short tons (2.3 million metric tonnes).

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 24, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended April 24 totalled 281,699 short tons — 255 553 t (metric tonnes) — an increase of 6.1% from the preceding week's total of 265,589 short tons — 240 938 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 300,870 tons — 272 945 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) — equalling 100 was 153.7 in the current week, 145.0 a week earlier and 164.2 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

1974 Census of Manufactures — Selected Principal Statistics of the Manufacturing Industries of Canada, by Province*

Province	Production and related workers			Manufacturing Activity				Value added
	No. of Establish-ments	Number	Man-hours paid '000	Wages	Cost of fuel and elec-tricity	Cost of materials and sup-plies used \$'000	Value of shipments of goods of own manu-facture	
Newfoundland	264	11,267	24,536	95,061	27,478	442,565	711,731	270,874
Prince Edward Island	138	1,741	3,699	11,277	1,627	65,363	94,142	29,776
Nova Scotia	740	27,164	56,834	212,064	52,127	1,078,919	1,693,821	599,165
New Brunswick	592	23,647	50,241	187,823	78,195	942,741	1,584,431	602,957
Quebec	9,979	416,421	833,732	3,156,138	488,448	12,786,931	22,478,144	9,633,682
Ontario	12,665	632,529	1,324,807	5,905,027	692,735	23,576,010	41,404,761	18,131,276
Manitoba	1,291	40,642	83,747	325,580	38,216	1,386,561	2,279,636	906,391
Saskatchewan	678	13,117	26,881	114,752	18,131	669,466	1,045,394	373,492
Alberta	1,865	42,836	88,845	397,862	47,922	2,525,667	3,819,489	1,316,758
British Columbia	3,309	108,141	218,066	1,216,469	178,656	4,012,492	7,423,644	3,314,646
Yukon	11	67	136	550	52	1,289	2,364	1,030
Northwest Territories	12	126	271	1,201	135	5,470	6,656	2,049
Canada	31,544	1,317,698	2,711,795	11,623,805	1,623,721	47,493,475	82,544,212	35,182,096

Province	Total Activity		
	Total Employees	Salaries and wages	Value added \$'000
Province	Number		
Newfoundland	14,124	126,094	280,281
Prince Edward Island	2,246	15,490	33,524
Nova Scotia	36,631	311,812	622,517
New Brunswick	30,444	258,182	628,745
Quebec	557,398	4,823,066	9,176,656
Ontario	884,401	9,064,775	19,900,176
Manitoba	54,289	470,873	965,392
Saskatchewan	17,900	164,165	390,486
Alberta	60,630	601,184	1,288,360
British Columbia	143,076	1,685,988	3,202,557
Yukon	94	796	1,078
Northwest Territories	146	1,477	2,880
Canada	1,801,379	17,523,902	36,492,652

*Preliminary figures.

For further information, order the 1974 issue of Census of Manufactures Preliminary Bulletins (\$4.90 for the series), or contact the *Regional Statistics Section* (613-996-4991), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending April 14

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,274,350	1,722,288	3,996,638
Short tons, 1975r	2,239,686	2,321,062	4,560,748
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 063 256	1 562 433	3 625 689
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 031 809	2 105 632	4 137 441
% change	1.5	-25.8	-12.4
Cars, 1976	38,872	25,937	64,809
Cars, 1975r	39,654	36,596	76,250
% change	-2.0	-29.1	-15.0
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	123,541	38,012	161,553
Short tons, 1975r	130,705	50,476	181,181
Metric tonnes, 1976	112 075	34 484	146 559
Metric tonnes, 1975	118 574	45 791	164 365
% change	-5.5	-24.7	-10.8
Cars, 1976	3,944	1,692	5,636
Cars, 1975r	4,688	2,321	7,009
% change	-15.9	-27.1	-19.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	33,031,408	26,914,799	59,946,207**
Short tons, 1975r	33,064,045	27,330,189	60,394,234
Metric tonnes, 1976	29 965 589	24 416 695	54 382 284
Metric tonnes, 1975	29 995 197	24 793 530	54 788 727
% change	-0.1	-1.5	-0.7
Cars, 1976	566,005	419,833	985,838**
Cars, 1975r	574,969	437,726	1,012,695
% change	-1.6	-4.1	-2.7
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	1,834,552	691,229	2,525,781**
Short tons, 1975r	1,931,923	688,519	2,620,442
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 664 278	627 072	2 291 350
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 752 611	624 614	2 377 225
% change	-5.0	0.4	-3.6
Cars, 1976	61,466	29,303	90,769**
Cars, 1975r	66,709	33,051	99,760
% change	-7.9	-11.3	-9.0

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

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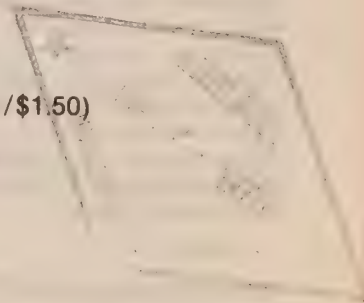
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- Farm Cash Receipts, February 1976 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)**
- Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, February 1976 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)**
- Monthly Production of Soft Drinks, March 1976 (32-001, 15¢/\$1.50)**



General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), February 1976 — Advance Information.

The general wholesale price index was virtually unchanged from January to February but was 4.0% higher than a year earlier. Five of the eight major groups were higher. Three declined.

The iron products group index rose 0.8% in February from the revised January index due to increases in castings and forgings of 7.8% and in scrap iron and steel of 2.4%. An increase of 2.7% in the price of clay and allied products was mainly responsible for the 0.5% advance in the non-metallic minerals group index. Higher prices for cedar (3.0%), hardwood (1.9%) and fir (1.4%) accounted for a 0.3% advance in the wood products group. The animal products group index was up 0.3% as a result of increases in leather of 4.7%, hides and skins, 1.7%, and fresh meats, 1.4%. The textiles index edged up 0.1% as increases for miscellaneous cotton products of 10.0%, cotton knit goods of 5.0% and worsted and wool cloth of 3.4% outweighed declines for raw imported wool and baler twine.

The chemical products group index declined 1.7% in February from January due to a price drop for fertilizer materials of 14.7%, coal tar products of 1.0% and soap and detergents of 1.0%. Decreases in fresh fruits of 6.4%, tobacco of 4.8% and sugar and its products of 4.5% contributed to a 0.7% decline in the vegetable products group. The non-ferrous metals group index was down 0.2% due to a 1.7% decrease in silver and a 0.7% decrease in nickel.

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Sales Financing, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales finance companies purchased \$180.8 million of retail finance paper during February, an increase of 14.8% from \$157.5 million in February 1975.

Total purchases in February comprised \$45.6 million for passenger cars, \$23.4 million for other consumer goods, \$72.0 million for commercial vehicles and \$39.8 million for other commercial and industrial goods. Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the fourth quarter of 1975 amounted to \$1,911.1 million, an increase of 8.4% over \$1,762.6 million financed during the fourth quarter of 1975.

For further information, order the February issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Industrial Research and Development Expenditures in Canada, 1974-76 — Advance Information.

Industry spent \$643 million for research and development in 1974, an increase of 14% over 1973. Estimated expenditures for 1975 were \$706 million and for 1976 they are \$759 million.

For further information, order the 1976 edition of *Industrial Research and Development Expenditures in Canada* (13-203, \$1.40), or contact Mr. J. Topham (613-995-9692), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Railways operating in Canada reported 20.8 million tons of revenue freight loaded in March, a 9.0% improvement over March 1975. Traffic received from United States connections (included above) amounted to 2.1 million tons, a 6.0% increase.

March loadings of wheat and other grain rose 96.4% to 1.2 million tons, coal was up 37.3% to 1.4 million tons and potash loadings increased 20.3% to 771,187 tons. Movements of sulphur declined 32.5%.

First quarter rail freight loadings totalled 57.8 million tons, up 0.1% from 1975. Among commodities showing significant percentage increases were coal (up 32.4%), other grain (up 20.9%) and lumber (up 13.5%). Decreases were recorded for pulpwood, newsprint paper, logs and iron and steel.

For further information, order the March issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistique Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oilseeds, February 1976 — Advance Information.

February crushings of oilseeds, with oil produced and meal produced in brackets (all figures thousands of pounds):

- Soybeans: 121,819 (20,569; 96,171).
- Rapeseed: 65,989 (26,896; 37,169).
- Sunflowerseed: 5,046 (2,087; 1,768).

For further information, order the latest quarterly issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact R. Mangione (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Advance information on the pack, shipments and stocks of selected canned fruits and vegetables for January is now available.

For further information, order the January issue of *Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	Feb. 1976*	Jan. 1976*	Feb. 1975	Jan. 1975	% Change	
					Feb./76 Jan./76	Feb./76 Feb./75
General wholesale Index	503.1	502.9r	483.9r	484.7	—	4.0
Vegetable products	457.8	461.1r	501.3r	519.5	-0.7	-8.7
Animal products	556.5	555.0r	493.5r	503.8	0.3	12.8
Textile products	423.5	423.1r	401.7r	402.4	0.1	5.4
Wood products	664.3	662.5r	613.6r	604.4	0.3	8.3
Iron products	546.6	542.2r	501.8r	482.9	0.8	8.9
Non-ferrous metals including gold	414.6	415.6r	414.4	413.5	-0.2	—
Non-metallic minerals	419.1	417.2r	380.4r	370.7	0.5	10.2
Chemical products	381.8	388.6r	382.1r	376.5	-1.7	-0.1
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	571.4	569.5r	542.3r	530.7	0.3	5.4
Raw and partly manufactured goods	475.8	476.3r	462.9r	476.1	-0.1	2.8
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	517.7	517.2r	495.6r	491.2	0.1	4.5

* These indexes are preliminary.

Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

March 1976 — Advance Information

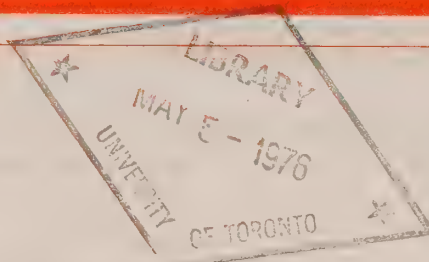
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	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Mar. 1975	% Change	
				Mar./76 Feb./76	Mar./76 Mar./75
Canada, Total	155.1	153.9	136.6	0.7	13.5
Materials	150.7	148.9	132.9	1.2	13.4
Labour	162.9	162.9	143.2	—	13.8
Atlantic Provinces, Total	163.4	162.2	145.2	0.7	12.5
Materials	153.3	151.3	137.2	1.3	11.7
Labour	180.9	180.9	159.1	—	13.7
Quebec	157.6	157.3	138.1	0.2	14.1
Materials	155.0	154.5	134.4	0.3	15.3
Labour	162.6	162.6	145.1	—	12.1
Ontario, Total	151.1	150.0	135.0	0.7	11.9
Materials	148.3	146.6	132.9	1.2	11.6
Labour	155.8	155.8	138.6	—	12.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	161.2	159.1	137.2	1.3	17.5
Materials	151.5	148.3	131.4	2.1	15.3
Labour	180.1	180.1	148.6	—	21.2
British Columbia, Total	153.3	151.8	134.5	1.0	14.0
Materials	149.7	147.4	130.0	1.6	15.2
Labour	159.6	159.6	142.4	—	12.1

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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University Financing

Data for the forthcoming publication *Canadian Universities, Income and Expenditures* (81-212, \$1.05), covering the academic years 1971-72 to 1974-75, are now available, in advance of regular publication. They show sources of university financial support and the nature of university financial expenditure for both capital and current purposes. In most tables data are classified by province and by region.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Frank or Miss C. Desjardins (613-995-9799), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Wholesale Trade, February 1976 (63-008, \$1.50 per year)

Causes of Death, Provinces by Sex and Canada by Sex and Age, Detailed Categories of the International Classification of Diseases, Adapted — ICDA, 1974 (84-203, \$2.80)



Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics, February 1976.

The number of beneficiaries receiving unemployment insurance benefits in February increased 4% to 891,000 from 860,000 in January. Thirty-five percent of the beneficiaries resided in Quebec, 29% in Ontario, 18% in the Atlantic provinces, 11% in British Columbia and 7% in the Prairies. Thirty-five percent of the beneficiaries were females.

Net unemployment insurance benefit paid in February was \$342 million, unchanged from the previous month but 19% more than a year earlier. The average weekly benefit was up 10% from February 1975 to

\$92.52. Net payments for the first two months of 1976 amounted to \$684 million, 15% more than in the same period in 1975.

Claims received by UIC offices were 189,000 in February, 32% fewer than in January. A drop of this magnitude is usual at this time of year. Claims were also 14% less than in February 1975. For the first two months, claims filed numbered 467,000, 19% fewer than a year earlier.

Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975	To Date		% Change From		
				1976	1975	Jan. 1976	Feb. 1975	2 Months 1976/75
Benefit Payments								
Gross amount (\$000)	343,575p	343,297	288,119	686,872	595,551	—	19	15
Net amount(1) (\$000)	341,909p	341,825	287,320r	683,735	593,821r	—	19	15
Weeks of benefit (000)	3,713	3,746	3,425	7,460	7,150	-1	8	4
Average weekly benefit (\$)	92.52p	91.63	84.11	92.08	83.29	1	10	11
Claims received (000)	189	277	219	467	575	-32	-14	-19
Beneficiaries (000)	891p	860p	..	875p(3)	..	4
Claimants (2) at month end (000)	1,196	1,179	1,214	1,188(3)	1,174(3)	1	-1	1

(1) After cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments.

(2) These figures are overstated in terms of active files. If claimants do not report that they became re-employed, a period of 5 weeks is allowed to elapse before their claims are transferred to the inactive file.

(3) Monthly average.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised.

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... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

Note: The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

For further information, order the February issue of *Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, 40¢/\$4) or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Merchandising Inventories, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Inventories held by wholesale merchants increased 3.7% in February to \$6,469.1 million, a level 4.2% higher than February 1975. Department store stocks rose 7.6% in the month to \$1,539.1 million, up 19.2% from February 1975. Stocks of retail chain stores rose 2.9%, reaching \$2,014.7 million, 11.6% more than February 1975. Percentage changes in the inventory levels of selected groups of independent retail stores are available for the final quarter of 1975.

For further information, order the February issue of *Merchandising Inventories* (63-014, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-03585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Motor Vehicle Shipments, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of passenger cars totalled 161,966 units in March compared to 125,580 units in March 1975. January to March production was 435,649 units compared to 324,651 units a year earlier.

All commercial vehicles totalled 48,668 units compared to 29,027 and 1976 production was 128,312 units compared to 86,289 in 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

April 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Apr. 23/76 This week	Apr. 15/76 Week ago	Apr. 2/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	110.8	108.8	109.4
Industrials	85	115.3	112.8	114.2
Foodst	9	95.8	95.9	98.4
Alcoholic beverages	5	86.1	86.6	87.3
Textiles and clothing	3	134.1	128.8	135.1
Pulp and paper	7	157.9	154.1	154.2
Printing and publishing	5	136.7	137.3	139.4
Primary metals	4	127.5	122.7	121.7
Industrial mines	6	99.1	95.5	96.7
Metal fabricating	9	223.1	215.7	222.1
Non-metallic minerals	4	111.3	109.8	111.5
Petroleum	8	106.1	105.3	106.9
Chemicals	5	144.8	145.1	145.4
Construction	5	204.1	199.4	203.6
Trade	15	99.8	97.7	99.6
Utilities and services	28	89.9	89.0	88.5
Transportation	6	125.5	123.6	123.8
Pipelines	5	76.4	76.7	76.1
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.1	105.0	106.1
Telephone	4	91.9	90.6	89.3
Electric power	3	104.2	103.3	103.3
Gas distribution	5	66.5	65.4	65.4
Finances	21	120.7	118.7	116.7
Banks	8	125.7	123.0	120.3
Investment and loan	9	110.7	110.3	109.8
Insurance	4	99.3	100.7	99.8
Mining Index	17	104.9	104.4	106.3
Gold	9	164.9	165.3	165.2
Base metals	8	76.1	75.2	78.1
Uraniums	2	214.2	217.4	220.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	105.3	102.6	101.5

For further information, order the April issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Freight Traffic, Fourth Quarter 1975 — Advance Information.

Fourth quarter statistics show that railways operating in Canada carried 62.9 million tons of revenue freight, 9.1% less than in the final quarter of 1974. The 1975 figure includes 57.7 million tons loaded in Canada (a decline of 7.9% over 1974) and 5.3 million tons received from United States connections (a drop of 20.7% from 1974).

On a geographic basis, loadings were up 20.1% in Newfoundland, 1.5% in Saskatchewan, 0.5% in British Columbia and 5.6% in the Territories. Declines in the remaining provinces ranged from 2.4% in Alberta to 24.9% in Nova Scotia.

Of the seven major commodity groups, rail shipments were down for all except live animals and food, feed, beverages and tobacco.

Total revenue freight carried by the railways in 1975 amounted to 248.9 millions tons, a decline of 8.1% from the preceding year.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Railway Freight Traffic* (52-002, \$1.05/\$4.20),

or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, 1975 — Advance Information.

Crude petroleum production in September was 1,699,000 B/D, down 3.3% from 1,757,000 B/D in September 1974.

Natural gas production for the same month averaged 8,669,000 Mcf./D., an increase of 2.5% from 8,457,000 Mcf./D. in September 1974.

For further information, order the September issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact R. Peacock (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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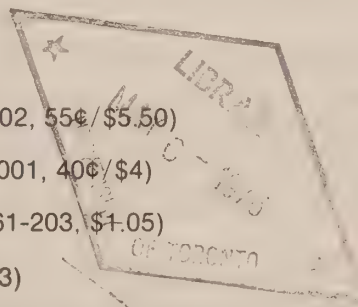
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- Prices and Price Indexes, September 1975 (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50)**
- Summary of External Trade, February 1976 (65-001, 40¢/\$4)**
- Federal Government Enterprise Finance, 1974 (61-203, \$1.05)**
- Cheques Cashed, February 1976 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)**
- Continuing Education, Part II, Universities, 1973-74 (81-225, \$1.05)**
- Provincial Government Finance, Assets, Liabilities, Sources and Uses of Funds, 1972-73; 1973-74 Preliminary (68-209, \$2.10)**
- Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, January 1976 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)**
- Potash Mines, 1974 (26-222, 35¢)**
- Electric Power Statistics, February 1976 (57-001, 30¢/\$3)**
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Service Bulletin:

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8, No. 16, International Air Charter Statistics, Preliminary, November 1975

New Housing Price Indexes

January-March 1976 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	March 1976	February 1976	January 1976	December 1975	% Change March/76 March/75
Montreal	194.8	194.6	193.8	193.6	3.9
Winnipeg	195.0	193.5	190.5	188.3	17.5
Calgary	225.8	225.8	225.8	213.8	24.3

Indexes are now available, on a January 1975 time-base, from January 1975 to March 1976, for the following metropolitan areas: Halifax, St. Catharines, Kitchener, London, Regina and Saskatoon.

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics*, Monthly Bulletin (62-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R.J. Lowe (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Department store sales were \$348.8 million in February, an increase of 14.0% from \$305.9 million in February 1975.

Sales rose in 39 of the 40 departments with only food and kindred products (-7.9%) showing a decrease. The largest sales increases were recorded by furs (40.6%) and photographic equipment and supplies (34.7%). All provinces reported increased sales over February 1975, ranging from a high of 43.1% for Prince Edward Island to 6.1% for Manitoba. Montreal sales increased 13.2%, Toronto 7.0%, Winnipeg 5.2% and Vancouver 5.0%.

The selling value of stocks held in February was \$1,539.1 million, an increase of 19.2% over February 1975. Inventories increased in 34 departments with the largest registered by women's and misses' dresses, house-dresses, aprons and uniforms (44.0%) and photographic equipment and supplies (38.2%). The largest decrease was recorded by meals and lunches (-69.1%).

For further information, order the February issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Radio Air-Time Sales, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$3.2 million for January 1976, a decrease of 9.5% from \$3.5 million for January 1975. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$2.7 million, a decrease of 9.1% from \$3.0 million for January 1975.

Net local air-time sales were \$10.3 million compared to \$9.8 million last year, an increase of 5.1%.

For further information, order *Communications Service Bulletin* (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact J.R. Slaterry (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Report of Livestock Surveys: Pigs, April 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Total pig numbers in Canada (excluding Newfoundland), at April 1, 1976 are down from April 1, 1975. The April 1, 1976 estimate for farrowings is unchanged from the corresponding period in 1975.

For further information, order the April 1, 1976 *Report on Livestock Survey: Pigs* (23-005, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact L.C. White (613-994-5855), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

The Dairy Review, February 1976 — Advance Information.

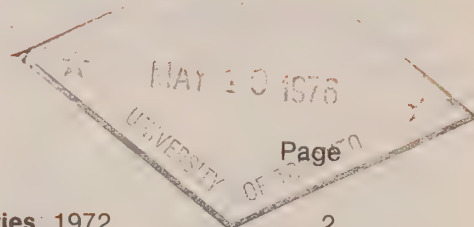
Total production of milk for all purposes in February amounted to 1,129,567,000 pounds and brought \$104,616,000 in cash receipts to Canadian dairy farmers.

For further information, order the February issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4).

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Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks, 1926 to 1975

A new set of annual estimates of stocks and flows and related estimates of fixed non-residential capital in Canada, based on the 1970 revision of the Standard Industrial Classification by major industries and detailed types of assets, is now available for 1926 to 1975, in both current and constant 1971 dollars. These data are available in computer printout form and on magnetic tape.

For further information, contact Mr. S. Bernard (613-994-5601), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. To order any data from CANSIM on magnetic tape or computer printouts contact Mrs. Gina Pillozzi (613-995-7406), CANSIM Staff, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Consumer Credit, February 1976 (61-004, 30¢/\$3)

Building Permits, January 1976 (64-001, 70¢/\$7)

Enrolment and Staff in Schools for the Blind and the Deaf, 1975-76 (81-217, 70¢)

Vital Statistics, Volume II, Marriages and Divorces, 1974 (84-205, \$1.05)
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Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, April 1976 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Grain Milling Statistics, February 1976 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Hardboard, March 1976 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Products Made from Canadian Clays, February 1976 (44-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Miscellaneous Leather Products Manufacturers (33-205-p); Textile Dyeing and Finishing Plants (34-210-p-4); Electric Lamp and Shade Manufacturers (35-214-p); Platemaking, Typesetting and Trade Bindery Industry (36-203-p-2); Corrugated Box Manufacturers (36-213-p); Metal Coating Industry (41-227-p-1); Manufacturers of Household Radio and Television Receivers (43-205-p); Manufacturers of Lighting Fixtures (43-211-p); Instrument and Related Products Manufacturers (47-206-p-1)

Service Bulletins:

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8: No. 10, Air Carrier Operations in Canada, 3rd Quarter 1975; No. 15, Canadian Transcontinental and Regional Air Carriers, Annual 1975; No. 17, Helicopter Revenue Hours Flown, 3rd Quarter 1975, No. 18, Airports with M.O.T. Air Traffic Control Towers, January 1975

Selected Dairy By-products (32-024, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, March 1976: No. 3, Production and Inventory of Process Cheese; No. 6, Production and Inventory of Instant Dry Skim Milk Powder

Metals and Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 4, 1975: No. 2, Consumption of Selenium and Tellurium; No. 3, Consumption of Magnesium Metal; No. 4, Consumption of Chrome Ore and Manganese Ore

Energy Statistics (57-002, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 11, No. 6, Retail Gasoline Statistics by Metropolitan Area, 3rd Quarter 1975

Industrial Concentration in Manufacturing Industries, 1972 — Advance Information.

In nine manufacturing industries the largest four enterprises accounted for more than 90% of the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture of the industry in 1972 according to tabulations based on combining data of companies under a common control to form such enterprises. In 20 industries, the top four enterprises were responsible for more than 80% of shipments.

Industries for which this "top four" concentration percentage exceeded 90% in 1972, excluding three for which data are confidential to protect figures of individual enterprises, were, with the corresponding concentration measure: cotton yarn and cloth mills, 97.5%; tobacco products manufacturers, 97.1%; glass manufacturers, 97.0%; breweries, 96.5%; fiber and filament yarn manufacturers, 93.8%; cane and beet sugar refineries, 93.7%. An accompanying table shows the "top four" concentration ratios for the 40 leading industries of Canada for 1972, ranked by order of industry shipments of goods of own manufacture.

Complete data will be published later in *Industrial Organization and Concentration in the Manufacturing, Mining and Logging Industries, 1972* (31-402, price to be determined). For further information contact H.D. Potter (613-992-9654), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Distribution of Manufacturing Industries by Percentage of Value of Manufacturing Shipments Accounted for by Leading Four Enterprises, 1972

Concentration ratio (%)	Number of industries
Under 10	3
10.9-19.9	17
20.0-29.9	17
30.0-39.9	26
40.0-49.9	25
50.0-59.9	20
60.0-69.9	22
70.0-79.9	21
80.0-89.9	11
90.0-99.9	9
100	—
Total industries	171

(see table on next page)

Percentages of Value of Shipments of Goods of Own Manufacture Accounted for by the Leading Four and Eight Enterprises in the Forty Leading Industries of Canada, Ranked by Shipments, 1972

Industry	Estab- lishments Number	Enter- prises	Value of Shipments of Goods of Own Manufacture (\$ millions)	% of Shipments Accounted for by Leading Enterprises	
				4	8
Motor vehicle manufacturers	22	17	4,033.6	x	98.1
Pulp and paper mills	141	65	3,127.8	34.4	52.5
Slaughtering and meat processors	468	415	2,551.4	53.9	62.0
Petroleum refining	41	14	2,361.7	73.7	94.6
Motor vehicle parts and accessories manufacturers	211	171	1,903.2	48.8	64.8
Iron and steel mills	48	35	1,900.8	77.7	90.7
Sawmills and planing mills	1,567	1,463	1,893.6	18.2	27.7
Dairy products industry	731	498	1,573.7	33.0	45.8
Miscellaneous machinery and equipment manufacturers	759	710	1,454.4	12.5	21.7
Smelting and refining	26	14	978.0	78.6	95.7
Miscellaneous food processors, n.e.s.	281	231	905.9	35.2	51.2
Metal stamping and pressing industry	528	479	878.5	39.5	48.3
Commercial printing	2,150	2,072	859.7	19.5	27.8
Communication equipment manufacturers	228	191	755.8	56.4	67.2
Rubber products industries	104	86	722.6	60.6	76.2
Publishing and printing	644	565	680.2	42.5	66.1
Feed industry	731	601	667.0	29.0	38.4
Men's clothing factories	462	428	621.1	11.7	19.5
Women's clothing factories	598	573	607.1	8.2	12.3
Plastics fabricating industry, n.e.s.	590	542	594.7	13.3	21.7
Wire and wire products manufacturers	265	233	560.5	43.3	55.1
Miscellaneous metal fabricating industries	488	458	558.0	15.0	23.9
Bakeries	1,768	1,705	540.4	33.4	47.7
Manufacturers of electrical industrial equipment	176	134	525.9	51.1	61.4
Fruit and vegetable canners and preservers	215	170	523.4	39.7	55.9
Household furniture manufacturers, n.e.s.	667	638	492.5	13.3	21.3
Aircraft and aircraft parts manufacturers	96	91	486.9	x	80.4
Breweries	42	7	484.8	96.5	...
Manufacturers of industrial chemicals (organic), n.e.s.	35	25	483.3	59.9	83.3
Manufacturers of pharmaceuticals and medicines	141	126	462.7	27.8	42.3
Miscellaneous paper converters	231	187	453.0	33.5	45.6
Fabricated structural metal industry	156	134	450.4	37.9	52.6
Fish products industry	350	258	444.5	42.5	54.4
Distilleries	29	14	443.4	79.7	95.0
Miscellaneous chemical industries, n.e.s.	348	280	433.7	32.3	43.2
Manufacturers of electrical wire and cable	35	17	432.6	79.2	94.6
Tobacco products manufacturers	17	11	421.4	97.1	99.8
Soft drink manufacturers	363	301	412.9	46.2	55.8
Manufacturers of industrial chemical (inorganic), n.e.s.	90	37	401.1	52.4	69.8
Manufacturers of major appliances (electric and non-electric)	33	27	396.5	60.1	86.0

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Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 860.3 million feet board measure of lumber and ties in February compared to 606.8 million in February 1975. January to February production increased to 1,636.4 million feet board measure from 1,148.1 million feet in 1975.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 5,666 short tons (5 140 metric tonnes) or 11,693,977 square feet (1 086 406 square metres) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in March compared to 5,175 short tons (4 695 metric tonnes) or 10,818,909 square feet (1 005 110 square metres) in March 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile — Service Bulletin* (47-001, \$1.40 a year) or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,603,014,000 square feet of corrugated boxes and wrappers in March, an increase of 40.5% from 1,141,248,000 square feet in March 1975. January to March shipments totalled 4,210,491,000 square feet.

For further information, order the March issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian egg production declined 1.4% to 37.9 million dozen in March from 38.5 million in March 1975. The average number of layers was down 6.1% to 23.1 million from 24.6 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 5.0% to 1,969 from 1,875. Farm price of eggs sold for market was up 13.2% to 63.4¢ a dozen from 56.0¢.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact S.M. Ashraf (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in February to 354,042,000 feet board measure from 313,870,000 feet board measure in February 1975. Stocks on hand at the end of February totalled 1,034,769,000 feet board measure.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 15¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Goal for Women

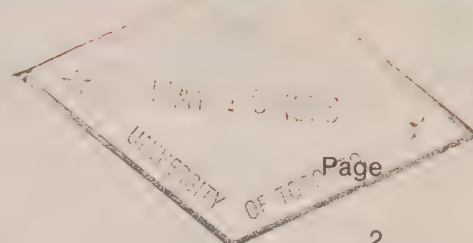
Opportunity for Choice: A Goal for Women in Canada, a book produced on behalf of Statistics Canada by the C.D. Howe Research Institute, had its origins during International Women's Year as a continuing contribution to the role of women in Canadian Society. It is designed to broaden understanding of the role of women both for the general reader concerned with the place of women in society and for professionals in the disciplines of demography, economics, law, sociology and statistics.

The book contains a presentation of Statistics Canada data on women's participation in the family, educational institutions and the labour force and a comprehensive analysis and evaluation of the evidence. It contains an examination of the effectiveness of existing policies and proposes new ones relevant to the role of women. As the title indicates, a theme of the book is the extent to which women, and men, have opportunities to make choices concerning their roles. Cost of the book is \$3.75. It is available from Printing and Publishing, Supply and Services Canada, Ottawa K1A 0S9.

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- Security Transactions with Non-Residents, January 1976** (67-002, 40¢/\$4)
 - Population, Introduction to Volume 1 (Part 3), 1971 Census of Canada** (92-722, 50¢)
 - Construction Price Statistics, April 1976** (62-007, 40¢/\$4)
 - Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure, 1973, Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 1974** (68-207, \$2.10)
 - Crime and Traffic Enforcement Statistics, 1974** (85-205, \$4.50)
 - Vital Statistics, Preliminary Annual Report, 1974** (84-201, \$1.40)
 - Correctional Institution Statistics, 1974** (85-207, \$1.05)
 - Footwear Statistics, February 1976** (33-002, 30¢/\$3)
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Dairy Factory Production, March 1976 (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asphalt Roofing, March 1976 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Motor Vehicle Shipments, March 1976 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, February 1976 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

Breweries, February 1976 (32-019, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile (47-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 3, Floor Tiles, March 1976

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 1, 1975 Pack of Frozen Fruits and Vegetables as Reported up to the end of January 1976

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended April 21, 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Rail freight loadings for the week fell 7.6% to 4.4 million short tons (3.9 million metric tonnes) and carloads were down 12.6% to 67,831. East of the Lakehead both tons and cars were up from the 1975 level. In the West declines of 21.0% and 26.6%, respectively, were recorded.

Piggyback traffic at 179,193 short tons (162 561 metric tonnes) in the current seven days was 3.4% below the 1975 level.

Rail carload traffic from January 1 to April 21 totalled 64.3 million short tons (58.3 million metric tonnes) and was down 1.2% from the 1975 period. Goods moved in piggyback services decreased 3.6%.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Railway Operating Statistics, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Canada's six major railways reported a combined net income of \$15.5 million in February compared with a deficit of \$11.9 million in February 1975. Operating revenues were up 24.5% to \$243.7 million and operating expenses rose 9.8% to \$228.2.

Revenue freight ton-miles increased 3.8% to 10.6 billion while revenue passenger-miles showed a gain of 6.4% to 103.8 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary statistics for March show 1.5 million United States visitors entered Canada, down 14.4% from March 1975. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. decreased 9.9% to 51,000. Canadian resident travellers returning from visits to the U.S. decreased 3.4% to 2.5 million while Canadian travellers returning from countries other than the U.S. increased 4.4% to 193,000. Decreases in part which occurred in these travel figures may be explained by the fact that Easter fell in March in 1975 and in April this year.

The first quarter of 1976 showed decreases over 1975 in both visitors from the U.S. and other countries by 6.4% and 2.8%, respectively. On the other hand, Canadian resident travellers increased their trips to the U.S. 7.0% and their trips to countries other than the U.S. 12.0%.

For further information, order the March issue of *International Travel, Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Information on the pack, shipments and stocks of selected canned fruits and vegetables for February is now available.

For further information, order the February issue of *Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending April 21

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,530,453	1,820,413	4,350,866
Short tons, 1975r	2,403,453	2,305,211	4,708,664
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 295 588	1 651 451	3 947 039
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 180 376	2 091 252	4 271 628
% change	5.3	-21.0	-7.6
Cars, 1976	40,795	27,036	67,831
Cars, 1975r	40,739	36,833	77,572
% change	0.1	-26.6	-12.6
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	134,912	44,281	179,193
Short tons, 1975r	135,719	49,856	185,575
Metric tonnes, 1976	122 390	40 171	162 561
Metric tonnes, 1975	123 122	45 229	168 351
% change	-0.6	-11.2	-3.4
Cars, 1976	4,460	1,934	6,394
Cars, 1975r	4,553	2,282	6,835
% change	-2.0	-15.2	-6.5
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	35,561,861	28,735,212	64,297,073
Short tons, 1975r	35,467,498	29,635,400	65,102,898
Metric tonnes, 1976	32 261 178	26 068 146	58 329 324
Metric tonnes, 1975	32 175 573	26 884 783	59 060 356
% change	0.3	-3.0	-1.2
Cars, 1976	606,800	446,869	1,053,669
Cars, 1975r	615,708	474,559	1,090,267
% change	-1.4	-5.8	-3.4
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	1,969,464	735,510	2,704,974
Short tons, 1975r	2,067,642	738,375	2,806,017
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 786 668	667 243	2 453 911
Metric tonnes, 1975	1 875 733	669 843	2 545 576
% change	-4.7	-0.4	-3.6
Cars, 1976	65,926	31,237	97,163
Cars, 1975r	71,262	35,333	106,595
% change	-7.5	-11.6	-8.8

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.
rRevised figures.

Fabricated Structural Metal Price Indexes

Price indexes for structural steel in place in construction are released today for the first time.

Separate indexes are provided covering structural steel in buildings, in bridges and plate steel in bulk storage tanks, all at the Canada level. Breakdowns are also given for structural steel in buildings in the Atlantic provinces, Quebec, Ontario, the Prairie provinces and British Columbia.

Based on 1972 equalling 100, figures are available on a quarterly basis from the first quarter of 1972 onwards. A reference paper giving the methodology of the indexes is an insert in the April 1976 issue of *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly* and the 1976 second quarter report of *Construction Price Statistics, Quarterly*.

For further information, order the April issue of *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly* (62-007, \$4 a year), the second quarter issue of *Construction Price Statistics, Quarterly* (62-008, \$5 a year), or contact D.S. Seymour (613-994-5833), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 1 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended May 1, 1976, totalled 271,832 short tons — 246 602 t (metric tonnes) — a decrease of 3.5% from the preceding week's total of 281,699 short tons — 255 553 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 299,368 tons — 271 582 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) equalling 100 — was 148.3 in the current week, 153.7 a week earlier and 163.4 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Papermakers and Other Felts, First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

During the first quarter Canadian manufacturers shipped 275,966 pounds (125 176 kilograms) of woven and needled papermakers' felts and jackets valued at \$3,742,654 to Canadian mills. In the same quarter of 1975 totals were 387,466 pounds (175 751 kilograms) and \$4,949,815.

For further information, order *Miscellaneous Industries Service Bulletin* (47-003, \$1.40 a year) or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Exports by Commodities, February 1976 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

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Department Store Sales and Stocks, January 1976 (63-002, 40¢/\$4)

Mineral Wool, March 1976 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, March 1976 (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

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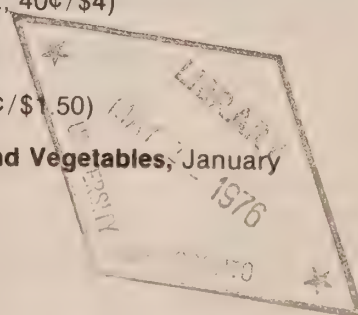
Felt and Fibre Processing Mills, 1974 (34-219, 70¢)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Miscellaneous Wood Industries (35-208-p); Wooden Box Factories (35-209-p); Button, Buckle and Fastener Manufacturers (47-205-p-2)

Service Bulletin:

Road Transport (53-006, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, No. 3, The Motor Vehicle: Revenues, 1974



Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), February 1976 — Advance Information.

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing stood at 157.9 in February, virtually unchanged from January, and 5.2% above its level of a year earlier. This marks the slowest rate of increase in the index over 12 months since the year ending October 1972.

Among the major groups, the wood industries index moved up 0.6% due mainly to shingle mills, which rose

8.1%, and sawmills and planing mills, which rose 0.6%. This increase was offset primarily by a 0.4% decrease in the food and beverage industries index, with feeds declining 2.2% and sugar 5.1%.

For further information, order the February issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50).

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

February 1976
(1971=100)

	Feb. 1976*	Jan. 1976*	Feb. 1975*	Percentage change Feb./76 Jan./76	Feb./76 Feb./75
All industries	157.9	157.8	150.0	—	5.2
SIC major groups:					
1. Food and beverage industries	172.9	173.6	166.7	-0.4	3.7
3. Rubber and plastics products industries	137.7	137.4	136.0	0.3	1.3
4. Leather industries	154.3	152.7	141.8	1.0	8.8
5. Textile industries	138.7	138.4	129.7	0.2	6.9
6. Knitting mills	122.9	121.9	119.1	0.8	3.2
8. Wood industries	163.2	162.3	140.0	0.6	16.6
9. Furniture and fixture industries	159.6	159.5	150.1	0.1	6.3
10. Paper and allied industries	179.0	179.2	176.7	-0.1	1.3
12. Primary metal industries	163.6	163.7	158.8	-0.1	3.1
13. Metal fabricating industries	158.6	158.3	148.3	0.2	7.0
14. Machinery industries	147.8	147.6	138.9	0.1	6.4
16. Electrical products industries	137.9	138.0	134.6	-0.1	2.4
17. Non-metallic mineral products industries	156.1	155.6	143.6	0.3	8.7
18. Petroleum and coal products industries	199.9	199.9	170.9	—	17.0
19. Chemical and chemical products industries	164.9	164.5	157.7	0.3	4.6
Other major groups(1)	133.6	133.5	128.9	0.1	3.7

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Included are the following major groups 2 — Tobacco products industries, 7 — Clothing industries, 15 — Transportation equipment industries, 20 — Miscellaneous manufacturing industries.

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

March 1976 — Advance Information
(1961=100)

	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Mar. 1975	% Change Mar./76 Feb./76	Mar./76 Mar./75
Total Index	268.3	267.5	241.3	0.3	11.2
Materials	206.2	204.8	191.5	0.7	7.7
Steel and Metal Work	220.6	221.6	209.7	-0.4	5.2
Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment	189.0	188.9	180.3	0.1	4.8
Electrical Equipment	150.3	148.7	152.3	1.1	-1.3
Concrete Products	221.5	219.5	198.6	0.9	11.5
Lumber and Lumber Products	254.3	244.6	218.8	4.0	16.2
Other	203.2	202.4	185.4	0.4	9.6
Labour	344.4	344.4	302.4	—	13.9

r Revised figures.

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), 1975 —
Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Revenue vehicle miles run in a revenue service includes miles run empty which were necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9276), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Urban Transit, March 1976 — Advance Information.

In March 37 urban transit systems collected 108,522,655 initial passenger fares. Their vehicles travelled 29,351,645 vehicle miles and operating revenues were \$34,661,829.

For further information, order the March issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Chief (613-996-9276), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes .

April 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Apr. 30/76 This week	Apr. 23/76 Week ago	Apr. 2/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	111.1	110.8	109.4
Industrials	85	115.6	115.3	114.2
Foods	9	97.2	95.8	98.4
Alcoholic beverages	5	84.5	86.1	87.3
Textiles and clothing	3	135.5	134.1	135.1
Pulp and paper	7	159.8	157.9	154.2
Printing and publishing	5	136.5	136.7	139.4
Primary metals	4	127.0	127.5	121.7
Industrial mines	6	101.0	99.1	96.7
Metal fabricating	9	220.1	223.1	222.1
Non-metallic minerals	4	112.1	111.3	111.5
Petroleum	8	104.9	106.1	106.9
Chemicals	5	143.7	144.8	145.4
Construction	5	212.3	204.1	203.6
Trade	15	99.9	99.8	99.6
Utilities and services	28	90.9	89.9	88.5
Transportation	6	129.8	125.5	123.8
Pipelines	5	76.9	76.4	76.1
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	108.0	106.1	106.1
Telephone	4	91.4	91.9	89.3
Electric power	3	105.0	104.2	103.3
Gas distribution	5	67.1	66.5	65.4
Finances	21	119.3	120.7	116.7
Banks	8	123.6	125.7	120.3
Investment and loan	9	111.0	110.7	109.8
Insurance	4	99.9	99.3	99.8
Mining Index	17	107.8	104.9	106.3
Gold	9	174.1	164.9	165.2
Base metals	8	75.9	76.1	78.1
Uranium	2	214.6	214.2	220.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	108.1	105.3	101.5

For further information, order the April issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), 1976

	Year-to-date 1975	Year-to-date 1976	January	February	March
Carriers Reporting*	18		19	19	18
Revenue Earned:					
Intercity & Rural Services**	23,062,727	25,727,311	7,913,067	8,735,937	9,078,307
Urban-Suburban Services	84,084	74,356	23,151	22,971	28,234
Other Services (e.g. charter)	3,479,364	3,576,656	733,557	1,257,828	1,585,271
Fare Passengers Carried:					
Intercity & Rural Services**	7,695,753	7,819,804	2,453,010	2,564,723	2,802,071
Urban-Suburban Services	244,459	187,577	59,075	57,914	70,588
Other Services (e.g. charter)	927,274	298,432	46,398	117,244	134,790
Vehicle Miles:					
Intercity & Rural Services**	25,840,274	26,873,189	8,614,280	8,902,123	9,356,786
Urban-Suburban Services	136,889	100,803	34,757	30,938	34,608
Other Services (e.g. charter)	3,192,858	3,055,250	739,701	1,065,581	1,249,968
Fuel Consumed:					
Diesel Oil	4,201,394	4,432,233	1,439,841	1,467,378	1,525,014
Gasoline	6,371	5,596	1,941	1,880	1,775

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** Charter Fare Passengers high due to Easter in March 1975.

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Volume 1. The Annual Estimates, 1926-1974 (13-531, \$5.25).

Volume 2. The Quarterly Estimates, 1947-1974 (13-533, \$3.50).

Volume 3. A Guide to the National Income and Expenditure Accounts (13-549-E, \$6.75).

These publications can be obtained by writing to Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Please specify publication title and the catalogue number and include a cheque or money order for the specified amount payable to the Receiver General for Canada.

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Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, February 1976 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)

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Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 per series): Rubber Products Industries (33-206-p); Steel Pipe and Tube Mills (41-220-p); Manufacturers of Plastics and Synthetic Resins (46-211-p); Manufacturers of Printing Inks (46-216-p-1); Manufacturers of Pigments and Dry Colours (46-219-p-1); Plastics Fabricating Industry (47-208-p)

Service Bulletins:

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, March 1976: No. 11, Oil Filters and Cartridges; No. 12, Builders and Shelf Hardware; No. 13, Sanitaryware; No. 14, Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools

Motor Vehicle Shipments, March 1976 — Revised.

Production of passenger cars totalled 113,298 units in March compared to 96,553 units in March 1975. January to March production was 307,337 units compared to 238,362 units a year earlier. All commercial vehicles totalled 48,668 units compared to 29,027. Year-to-date production was 128,312 units compared to 86,289 units.

For further information order the March issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asbestos, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Producer shipments of asbestos increased to 162,345 short tons in March 1976 from 96,285 tons in March of 1975. This brought year-to-date shipments to 411,720 short tons from 318,651 in 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Salt, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine decreased to 531,989 short tons in March from 551,703 tons in March 1975. This brought 1976 output to 1,922,933 short tons from 1,897,471 tons a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

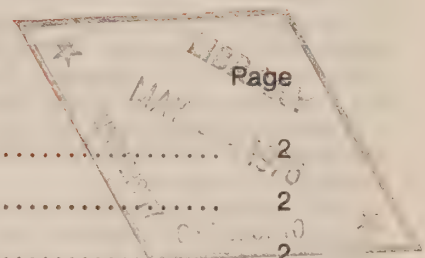
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Coal and Coke Statistics, January 1976 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Oil Burners and Oil-Fired Hot Water Heaters, March 1976 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cement, March 1976 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gypsum Products, March 1976 (44-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, February 1976 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, February 1976 (55-001, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 2, Pack of Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, 1975 (Preliminary); Vol. 4, No. 26, Pack of Processed Peas, 1975

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8: No. 19, Passenger Origin and Destination, Preliminary, December 1975; No. 20, Scheduled Air Passenger Origin and Destination, 4th Quarter of 1974 and 1975



Selected Financial Statistics of Associations, 1974 — Advance Information.

In 1974 there were 820 professional associations and 1,057 industrial and trade associations in Canada with reported total revenue of \$255.9 and expenditures of \$247.4 million. In addition, there were 919 establishments classified as better business bureaus, boards of trade, chambers of commerce and jaycees reporting revenue of \$21.1 million and expenditure of \$20.4 million.

For further information, order the 1974 edition of *Selected Financial Statistics of Associations* (61-515, 70¢), or contact, P. Tong (613-996-9301), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

New Motor Vehicle Sales, March 1976 — Advance Information.

The number of new motor vehicles sold in March reached 114,455 units, up 12.6% from a year earlier. This included 70,310 passenger cars (up 10.9%) and 31,067 commercial vehicles (up 24.6%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 11,930 passenger cars (no change) and 1,148 commercial vehicles (down 17.7%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 25.8% to \$686.3 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$392.4 million (up 24.7%) and commercial vehicles for \$232.7 million (up 33.0%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 10.3% to \$55.9 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 2.0% to \$5.4 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 458 units of coaches and buses valued at \$12.3 million.

Seasonally-adjusted March sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 0.7% from February to 61,887 units and those of passenger cars from overseas increased 5.8% to 11,685 units. Similarly adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 0.4% to 27,736 units.

For the first three months, total sales reached 267,242 units (266,580 in 1975) with an accumulated value of \$1,601.7 million. This represented an increase of 14.6% in value over sales for the corresponding period the previous year.

For further information, order the March issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators were 41,195 compared to 37,001 in March 1975 and month-end stocks totalled 117,028 units, down from 127,801. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers decreased to 32,432 from 39,138, and month-end stocks increased to 53,383 from 8,565.

For further information, order the March issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Cash Receipts, January-March, 1976 — (21-001, 30¢/\$3).

Preliminary estimates indicated that during the January-March period of 1976 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$2,940.8 million compared to \$3,031.7 million during the same period of 1975. These estimates included cash receipts from the sale of farm products, Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops, cash advances on farm-stored grains in western Canada and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction was made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the March issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact E.S. Boyko (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-March
(millions of dollars)

	1976	1975
Prince Edward Island	33.2	15.6
Nova Scotia	30.2	24.7
New Brunswick	30.6	19.2
Quebec	308.6	242.1
Ontario	624.1	546.6
Manitoba	232.1	287.5
Saskatchewan	972.8	1,178.9
Alberta	624.7	631.1
British Columbia	84.5	86.0
Canada	2,940.8	3,031.7

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, March 1976 — Advance Information.

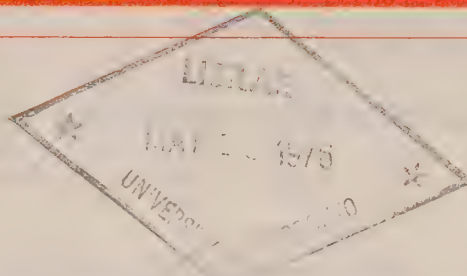
Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 31,147 units in March, up from 18,941 in March 1975. Conventional washing machine sales were 4,251 units compared to 6,355. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 25,140 units compared to 16,778 units a year earlier. Gas dryer sales on the domestic market were 893 units compared to 736 a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, January-March 1976 (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act, November 1975 (73-001, 40¢/\$4)

Federal Government Activities in the Human Sciences, 1974-1976 (13-205, \$1.40)

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, April 1976 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Railway Carloadings, March 1976 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

Vocational and Technical Training, 1972-73 (81-209, \$1.40)

Service Bulletin:

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 4, Railway Carloadings, March 1976



Reconciliation of Canada-United States Merchandise Trade Balance, Third Quarter 1975.

The U.S.-Canada Trade Statistics Committee has reconciled the published figures for Canada-U.S. bilateral merchandise trade for the third quarter of 1975 and has established that Canada was in deficit by \$168 million. Canadian trade statistics had indicated a third-quarter deficit of \$411 million while the U.S. Bureau of the Census had reported that Canada was in surplus by \$160 million. These figures follow the pattern found by the committee in previous reconciliation studies in that both sets of official trade figures overstate their imports and understate their exports by comparison with the reconciled figures.

The accompanying table gives results for the three quarters of 1975 and provides comparable figures for the same three quarters of 1974. For ease of comparison, all figures are converted to U.S. currency.

In the past, quarterly statistics released by the committee have been in seasonally-adjusted form. The corresponding adjusted figures for the third quarter of 1975 are: Canadian exports \$5,545 million; Canadian imports \$5,791 million; Canadian deficit \$246 million.

For further information, contact J.B. Salley (613-996-6247), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Reconciliation of Canada-United States Trade Statistics, 1975

	1974			1975		
	Published Canada	United States	Reconciled	Published Canada	United States	Reconciled
(\$ millions U.S.)						
1st Quarter						
Canadian Exports	4,816	4,919	4,976	5,087	5,201	5,117
Canadian Imports	4,923	4,469	4,753	5,410	5,028	5,330
Canadian Surplus (Deficit)	(107)	450	223	(323)	173	(213)
2nd Quarter						
Canadian Exports	5,717	5,751	5,709	5,346	5,683	5,411
Canadian Imports	5,606	5,224	5,524	6,176	5,833	6,130
Canadian Surplus (Deficit)	111	527	185	(830)	(150)	(719)
3rd Quarter						
Canadian Exports	5,335	5,411	5,426	4,896	5,254	5,073
Canadian Imports	5,162	4,684	4,961	5,307	5,093	5,241
Canadian Surplus (Deficit)	173	727	465	(411)	161	(168)

Building Permits, February 1976 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted value of building permits in February was \$932.9 million, little changed from \$949.1 million in January. The value in February 1975 was \$678.9 million.

Both industrial and institutional permits showed increases. The rise in the industrial sector was the most important, to \$112.8 million in February from \$46.2 million in January. The largest single segment of this increase came from a \$22 million pulp mill in Terrace Bay, Ont.

Among metropolitan areas, Calgary was the most active with an estimated \$19.1 million of industrial construction.

(see table on next page)

For further information, order the March issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Particle Board, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian firms produced 53,268,000 sq. ft. (5/8" basis) of particle board in March compared to 25,385,000 sq. ft. in March 1975, an increase of 110%.

For further information, order the March issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 45¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, March 1976 — Advance Information.

In March, packers, dealers and tanners held 266,732 cattle hides, down from 431,323 a year earlier, and 118,333 calf and kip skins, down from 144,269. Cattle hide receipts increased to 242,605 from 192,280 and wettings increased to 246,518 from 180,481.

Building Permits

February 1976 — Advance Information

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial (\$000)	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	24	7	31	801	28	1,308	450	2,587
Prince Edward Island	34	—	34	880	79	80	40	1,079
Nova Scotia	176	83	259	6,640	427	2,428	2,554	12,049
New Brunswick	31	32	63	1,864	125	6,186	1,544	9,719
Quebec	1,200	1,820	3,020	66,679	8,567	25,897	20,267	121,410
Ontario	1,550	2,776	4,326	121,528	37,667	34,645	16,182	210,022
Manitoba	204	949	1,153	19,154	2,024	11,467	3,510	36,155
Saskatchewan	263	303	566	15,419	1,384	7,202	3,111	27,116
Alberta	1,440	708	2,148	65,115	2,240	36,212	13,270	116,837
British Columbia	1,219	555	1,774	56,176	4,608	10,359	9,865	81,008
Yukon	1	—	1	28	5	—	—	33
Northwest Territories	—	—	—	13	50	29	—	92
Canada — Unadjusted	6,142	7,233	13,375	354,297	57,204	135,813	70,793	618,107
Canada — Adjusted	10,332	9,579	19,911	541,908	112,806	173,530	104,661	932,905
Metropolitan Areas	3,694	5,274	8,968	238,339	27,371	104,823	52,522	423,055
Calgary	380	309	689	16,419	338	19,198	3,192	39,147
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	40	4	44	1,231	103	376	45	1,755
Edmonton	473	188	661	23,101	1,560	13,033	3,922	41,616
Halifax	64	81	145	3,890	169	795	1,902	6,736
Hamilton	63	31	94	3,374	1,914	860	747	6,895
Hull	42	24	66	1,670	8	1,102	—	2,780
Kitchener	43	154	197	4,766	5,397	1,246	763	12,172
London	39	143	182	3,669	11	732	346	4,758
Montréal	627	1,528	2,155	45,933	7,681	17,331	15,496	86,441
Ottawa	22	166	188	5,032	162	3,698	3,636	12,528
Québec	89	6	95	3,077	130	1,224	82	4,513
Regina	100	246	346	9,496	142	6,399	1,367	17,404
St. Catharines-Niagara	226	61	287	7,892	381	685	15	8,973
Saint-John	8	8	16	524	—	1,925	1,230	3,679
St. John's	—	6	6	88	1	892	450	1,431
Saskatoon	81	—	81	2,308	208	444	9	2,969
Sudbury	4	—	4	207	6	34	7	254
Thunder Bay	31	—	31	1,246	9	270	120	1,645
Toronto	623	1,144	1,767	58,084	3,821	17,687	7,574	87,166
Vancouver	457	159	616	21,782	2,296	3,982	2,462	30,522
Victoria	91	77	168	5,753	975	1,096	5,313	13,137
Windsor	18	10	28	1,015	94	644	1,056	2,809
Winnipeg	173	929	1,102	17,782	1,965	11,190	2,788	33,725

*Preliminary figures.*For further information order *Building Permits*, February 1976 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Pulpwood and Wood Residue, March 1976 — Advance Information.**

Roundwood production decreased 24.7% to 1,187,541 cunits in March from 1,575,886 a year earlier. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased 4.8% to 2,501,792 cunits from 2,386,998 and the closing inventory of these two products decreased 1.0% to 11,625,968 cunits from 11,645,956. Receipts of wood residue increased 2.2% to 984,013 cunits from 962,474.

For further information, order the March issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 10, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended May 10 was 274,086 short tons — 248 647 t (metric tonnes) — an increase of 0.8% from the preceding week's total of 271,832 short tons — 246 602 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 286,317 tons — 259 742 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) equalling 100 — was 149.6 in the current week, 148.3 a week earlier and 156.3 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stoves and Ranges, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in March decreased 8.5% to 29,987 units from 32,754 units in March 1975.

Closing inventory of these products decreased 27.6% to 80,627 units from 111,326.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, April 1976 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, February 1976 (35-002, 30¢/\$3)

Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, February 1976 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, March 1976 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Rigid Insulating Board, March 1976 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Estimates of Production and Disappearance of Meats, 1975 (32-220, 35¢)

Service Bulletins:

Energy (57-002, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 11, No. 8, Net Cash Expenditures of the Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Industry, 1974 (final) and 1975 (preliminary)

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Aviation (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8: No. 21, Aircraft Movement Statistics, Airports with M.O.T. Air Traffic Control Towers — Preliminary, February 1976; No. 22, Civil Aviation, Operations of Transcontinental and Regional Air Carriers, December 1975

Railway Carloadings

9-day period ending April 30

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	3,854,066	2,800,918	6,654,984
Short tons, 1975r	3,036,245	2,820,704	5,856,949
Metric tonnes, 1976	3 496 350	2 540 950	6 037 300
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 754 435	2 558 900	5 313 335
% change	26.9	-0.7	13.6
Cars, 1976	63,908	42,810	106,718
Cars, 1975r	52,449	44,480	96,929
% change	21.8	-3.8	10.1
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	208,144	68,762	276,906
Short tons, 1975r	168,447	73,251	241,698
Metric tonnes, 1976	188 825	62 380	251 205
Metric tonnes, 1975	152 813	66 452	219 265
% change	23.6	-6.1	14.6
Cars, 1976	7,042	2,996	10,038
Cars, 1975r	5,755	3,298	9,053
% change	22.4	-9.2	10.9
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	39,415,927	31,536,130	70,952,057
Short tons, 1975r	38,503,743	32,456,104	70,959,847
Metric tonnes, 1976	35 757 527	28 609 096	64 366 623
Metric tonnes, 1975	34 930 008	29 443 682	64 373 690
% change	2.4	-2.8	—
Cars, 1976	670,708	489,679	1,160,387
Cars, 1975r	668,157	519,039	1,187,196
% change	0.4	-5.7	-2.3
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	2,177,608	804,272	2,981,880
Short tons, 1975r	2,236,089	811,626	3,047,715
Metric tonnes, 1976	1 975 493	729 623	2 705 116
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 028 546	736 295	2 764 841
% change	-2.6	-0.9	-2.2
Cars, 1976	72,968	34,233	107,201
Cars, 1975r	77,017	38,631	115,648
% change	-5.3	-11.4	-7.3

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

rRevised figures.

Railway Carloadings, 9 Days Ended April 30, 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Revenue freight volume for the last nine days of April rose 13.6% to 6.7 million short tons (5.9 million metric tonnes) and the number of cars loaded was up 10.1% to 106,718. East of the Lakehead tons and cars increased 26.9% and 21.8%, respectively, while in the West slight declines were recorded for both.

Piggyback traffic at 276,906 short tons (251 205 metric tonnes) in the current period was down 14.6% from the 1975 level.

Rail carload traffic for the first four months of 1976 totalled 71.0 million short tons (64.4 million metric tonnes), a shade below the 1975 period. Freight moved in highway transport trailers and containers (piggyback) declined 2.2%.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Receipts and Payments on International Travel 1975-1976

	I	II	1975 III	IV	Year	1976p I
United States						
Receipts	130	320	695	192	1,337	138
Payments	480	377	458	272	1,587	542
Balance	-350	-57	237	-80	-250	-404
All Other Countries						
Receipts	44	136	215	83	478	51
Payments	223	214	329	189	955	307
Balance	-179	-78	-114	-106	-477	-256
Total All Countries						
Receipts	174	456	910	275	1,815	189
Payments	703	591	787	461	2,542	849
Balance	-529	-135	123	-186	-727	-660

p Preliminary estimates

For further information, order the January-March issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary estimates for the first quarter show that Canada earned \$189 million from international travel, up from \$174 million the previous year. However, Canadians spent \$849 million abroad, leaving a record deficit of \$660 million, 24.8% higher than the deficit registered in the first quarter of 1975.

Canadian receipts comprised \$138 million from travellers from the United States and \$51 million from those of all other countries.

Canadian resident spending abroad included \$542 million in the U.S. and \$307 million in all other countries, resulting in increases of 12.9% and 37.7%, respectively. The growth in payments reflected both increased numbers of international travellers and levels of spending.

Mineral Production, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Primary mineral production for March and 1976 to date, with comparable 1975 figures in brackets:

- Silver: 3,808,526 troy ounces; 10,402,169 troy ounces (3,031,562; 9,287,549).
- Refined lead: 18,892 tons; 56,108 tons (16,895; 53,551).
- Refined zinc: 40,324 tons; 121,973 tons (42,835; 140,446).
- Primary copper: 65,704 tons; 197,374 tons (57,033; 180,374).
- Primary nickel: 22,954 tons; 66,410 tons (25,991; 75,793).
- Gold: 143,374 troy ounces; 425,784 troy ounces (127,337; 390,023).

For further information, order the March issues of *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50), *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50) and *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Electric Power Statistics, March 1976 — Advance Information.

In March net generation increased to 26.6 TWh (billion kilowatt hours) from 24.9 TWh in March 1975.

Hydro generation increased 3.9% while thermal production increased 22.8%.

For further information, order the March issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 6,497,005 phonograph records in March, up from 5,022,883 in March 1975.

Production of pre-recorded tapes increased to 1,436,051 from 1,084,027 in March 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes Service Bulletin* (47-004, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.



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The Labour Force, April 1976 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

The Consumer Price Index, April 1976 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

Department Store Sales by Regions, March 1976 (63-004, \$1.50 per year)

Service Bulletin:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 24, Pack of Processed Peaches, 1975



Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January to March, 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to March were valued at \$209.8 million, an increase of 44.5% above the 1975 figure of \$145.2 million. Repair parts for the same period had a value of \$31.2 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Y. Lebel (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Oilseeds, March 1976 — Advance Information.

March crushings of oilseeds, with oil produced and meal produced in brackets (all figures thousands of pounds):

- Soybeans: 125,641 (21,213; 99,516).
- Rapeseed: 52,939 (21,719; 29,908).
- Sunflowerseed: 6,327 (2,608; 2,428).

For further information, order the latest quarterly issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact R. Mangione (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, May 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at May 1 amounted to 48.9 million pounds compared with last year's total of 76.9 million pounds.

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Wool Production and Supply, 1975 — Advance Information.

Wool production in Canada in 1975 is estimated at 3,076,600 pounds. Imports of wool at 31,519,000 increased 17% from 1974. Exports at 2,173,000 pounds increased 90% from 1974.

For further information, order *Wool Production and Supply, 1975* (23-205, 35¢), or contact W.A. Gray (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturer's domestic sales of television sets in March were 34,772 (colour) sets and 7,692 black-and-white sets. A year earlier, their sales were 32,604 and 7,931.

Sales of record players were 3,349 compared to 3,437 in March 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian mills shipped 222,790,000 sq. ft. (3/8" basis) of softwood plywood in March, up from 163,720,000 sq. ft. in March 1975.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 38,158,000 sq. ft. surface measure for March, an increase of 52.5% over March 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywood* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Science Spending

Federal government departments expect to spend \$1,291 million for activities in the natural sciences and technology in 1976-77 and an additional \$434 million in the human sciences. In the 1975-76 fiscal year, the allocation was \$1,169 million for the natural sciences and technology and \$357 million for human sciences.

For further information, contact Lorraine Lynch (613-995-9692), Science Statistics Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Economic Characteristics (Occupation by Industry) 1971 Census of Canada — Special Bulletin (94-792, \$3.50)

Restaurant Statistics, March 1976 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, March 1976 (62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

International Travel, March 1976 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Sales Financing, February 1976 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Building Permits, Annual Summary, 1974 (64-203, \$1.05)

International Air Charter Statistics, October-December 1975 (51-003, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1976 (61-205, \$1.05)

Refined Petroleum Products, October 1975 (45-004, 40¢/\$4)

Copper and Nickel Production, March 1976 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gold Production, March 1976 (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Particle Board, March 1976 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, March 1976 (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

The Sugar Situation, March 1976 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, March 1976 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Salt, March 1976 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Selected Meat and Meat Preparations, January 1976 (32-020, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, February 1976 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

Automobile Fabric Accessories Industry, 1974 (34-222, 70¢)

Shipping Statistics, December 1975 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, September 1975 (26-006, 30¢/\$3)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufacturers (\$4.90 for series): Soft Drink Manufacturers (32-208-P); Commercial Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Equipment Manufacturers (42-215-P); Manufacturers of Structural Concrete Products (44-205-P-2); Sporting Goods Manufacturers (47-204-P-1)

Service Bulletins:

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Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 5, Railway Operating Statistics, February 1976

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 27, Pack of Processed Beans, Green and Wax, 1975

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Feb. 1976f	Jan. 1976p	Dec. 1975p	Feb 1975
	(\$ millions)			
	Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	40.9	40.7	45.3	33.5
Forestry	58.5	54.0	49.9	62.4
Mining	183.9	179.8	181.0	155.0
Manufacturing	1,674.3	1,643.8	1,629.0	1,491.0
Construction	524.8	511.7	533.0	457.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	775.8	771.0	746.8	694.1
Trade	1,018.4	1,028.2	1,071.8	883.2
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	434.9	430.5	420.7	371.9
Service	1,769.1	1,750.7	1,710.6	1,525.0
Public Administration and Defence(1)	626.4	607.4	639.1	527.1
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	7,109.8	7,019.9	7,035.2	6,202.8
Supplementary Labour Income	555.7	554.4	446.6	480.9
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,665.4	7,574.3	7,481.8	6,683.7
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	63.6	62.6	62.3	52.1
Forestry	65.6	61.0	55.3	70.0
Mining	184.1	180.1	183.6	155.2
Manufacturing	1,709.2	1,678.3	1,660.9	1,520.7
Construction	624.4	618.9	633.9	544.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	802.9	798.3	754.9	718.4
Trade	1,047.0	1,052.9	1,033.7	908.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	434.4	433.0	425.6	371.4
Service	1,753.0	1,741.2	1,697.5	1,510.1
Public Administration and Defence(1)	636.4	620.3	644.4	535.6
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	7,328.7	7,252.7	7,159.2	6,391.7
Supplementary Labour Income	542.8	538.6	505.1	458.2
Total, Labour Income(2)	7,871.5	7,791.3	7,664.3	6,849.9

f First estimates.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

(1) Excludes military pay and allowances.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

Estimates of Labour Income, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Labour income, adjusted for seasonal variation, was estimated at \$7,871.5 million in February, an increase of \$80.2 million or 1.0% from January. Wages and salaries in the goods-producing industries increased 1.8%, with all major components participating in the over-all increase. In the service-producing industries, wages and salaries increased 0.6% with all industries experiencing an increase except for trade.

Unadjusted for seasonal variation, the February estimate of labour income showed an increase of 14.7% over February 1975. Wages and salaries in the goods-producing and service-producing industries increased 12.9% and 15.6%, respectively.

Further details will be published in the January — March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, 40¢/\$4), and additional information can be obtained on request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, K1A 0V2.

Retail Trade, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales were \$4,648.4 million in March, an increase of 3.3% from \$4,501.6 million in February. Sales increased in 20 of the 28 trade groups. Household furniture stores (18.2%) and all other food stores (8.0%) recorded the largest increases. Book and stationery stores (-17.1%) recorded the largest decrease. Six of the provinces recorded increases in sales from February, ranging from 6.6% for Ontario to 2.0% for Nova Scotia. Saskatchewan (-3.6%), Quebec (-2.6%), New Brunswick (-3.0%) and Prince Edward Island (-0.6%) recorded decreases in sales over February, 1976.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$4,313.2 million in March, an increase of 17.1% over March, 1975. Sales increased in all trade groups with the exception of florists (-6.1%) and specialty shoe stores (-4.1%). The largest sales increases were recorded by service stations (29.0%) and grocery, confectionery and sundries stores (28.7%). All provinces recorded increased sales over March, 1975, ranging from a high of 26.7% for Alberta

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to 10.5% for Saskatchewan. Montreal sales rose 10.3%, Toronto 13.9%, Winnipeg 16.6% and Vancouver 11.5%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for February was \$3,671.5 million, an increase of 12.4% from February 1975.

This issue contains final estimates of retail trade for 1975 by trade groups for Canada, the provinces, the territories and selected metropolitan areas.

For further information, order the March issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing, April 1976.

Production is expected to rise in May, June and July above the levels of the preceding quarter, according to reports from manufacturing firms representing 34% of the weighted response to the April business conditions survey. Another 53% of the response anticipates no change and 13% expects a decline.

The net value of opinion — the difference between those expecting production to increase and those expecting it to decline — rose to 21% of the April response from 17% in January. This net value — sometimes called a measure of optimism — is used in some other countries with similar surveys.

New orders levels were reported to be about the same as usual in April by 50% of the response, the same proportion as in the January survey. Those reporting that new orders were rising rose to 30% from 27% in the earlier survey.

The backlog of unfilled orders was reported as higher than normal by manufacturers accounting for 12% of the shipments covered by the response compared with 8% in January. Unfilled orders were about normal for 61% and lower than normal for 27%.

The level of finished products inventory on hand was believed to be about right for 73% of the weighted response, 20% of management expressed the opinion that stocks of finished goods were too high and 7% reported they were too low.

No production difficulties or bottlenecks were reported by 75% of the management responding in April. Among the specified difficulties, there were slight declines in the proportions reporting shortages of working capital and skilled labour compared with January results.

Management was asked to allow for normal seasonal conditions when responding to the questions about new orders and production. The response to the April survey was from management representing almost 6,000 establishments whose shipments account for slightly more than 50% of all Canadian manufacturing shipments. The value of shipments for the establishments represented by each response was assigned to the answer to each question. These values of shipments, or weights, were summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question.

Further details on conditions in manufacturing, classified by economic use or type of market served,

are shown in the accompanying tables. Similarly classified information broken out by small and large manufacturing establishments is available from the Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

(see tables on next page)

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics (Preliminary Data), First Quarter 1976 — (61-003, free to regular subscribers).

Sales in the first quarter of 1976 were \$53,087 million for all industries, \$3,166 million for mining industries, \$25,692 million for manufacturing industries and \$24,229 million for other industries.

Net income after taxes but before extraordinary items was \$2,000 million for all industries, \$373 million for mining industries, \$1,006 million for manufacturing industries and \$621 million for other industries.

Net income after taxes and extraordinary items was \$2,020 million for all industries, \$385 million for mining industries, \$1,008 million for manufacturing industries and \$627 million for other industries.

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Industrial Chemicals, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Manufacturers shipped 52,683,480 pounds — 23 896 825 kg (kilograms) — of polyethylene type synthetic resins in March 1976 compared to 36,156,706 pounds — 16 400 405 kg — a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production of Fruit and Vegetables, 1976 — Advance Information.

Advance information is available on intentions to contract acreage in 1976 by vegetable processors in Canada.

Order *Fruit and Vegetable Crop Reports* (22-003, \$3 for series), or contact Mr. G.C. Code (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Malignant Tumours, 1973 — Advance Information.

There were 44,651 new cases of malignant neoplasms in Canada, excluding Ontario, in 1973.

Further information will be provided in *New Primary Sites of Malignant Neoplasms in Canada, 1973* (82-207, \$1.05), or contact R. Caldwell (613-995-0988), Health and Welfare Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Table 1. Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

April, 1976

Management's Opinion of Expected Production and Orders and Inventory Levels

Survey Item and Condition or Expectation	Economic Use Classification of Industries													
	Durable Consumer Goods		Non-Durable Consumer Goods		Machinery and Equipment		Construction Materials & Supplies		Other Intermediate Goods		Export-Based Industries		All Manufacturing Industries	
	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976
Percentage of weighted response(1)														
Expected volume of production in next 3 months compared with last 3 months(2)														
Higher	41	28	26	39	18	19	23	39	43	41	37	21	33	34
About the same	39	36	60	50	52	53	54	45	41	47	55	74	51	53
Lower	20	36	14	11	30	28	23	16	16	12	8	5	16	13
Level of New Orders(2)														
Rising	37	15	20	22	9	20	17	24	34	49	35	25	27	30
About the same	47	48	64	60	40	33	50	46	40	36	51	66	50	50
Declining	16	37	16	18	51	47	33	30	26	15	14	9	23	20
Backlog of Unfilled Orders														
Higher than normal	17	11	6	6	13	13	14	17	6	13	6	14	8	12
About normal	62	41	83	82	45	42	55	47	55	56	64	68	63	61
Lower than normal	21	48	11	12	42	45	31	36	39	31	30	18	29	27
Finished Products Inventory														
Too high	22	44	12	12	32	40	25	23	15	16	22	22	19	20
About right	65	47	83	82	66	57	70	66	80	79	65	68	75	73
Too low	13	4	5	6	2	3	5	11	5	5	13	10	6	7

(1) Individual replies were weighted by the value of respondent's shipments as reported to the Census of Manufactures; these weighted replies were then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question.

(2) Respondents were asked to allow for normal seasonal fluctuations.

Table 2. Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturers Industries,

April 1976

Sources of Production Difficulties Reported by Management

Economic Use Classification of Industries	Shortages												No Diffi- culties Reported
	Working Capital		Skilled Labour		Unskilled Labour		Raw Materials		Other Diffi- culties				
	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976			
	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976	Jan. 1976	Apr. 1976			
Percentage of weighted response(1)													
Durable Consumer Goods	5	8	16	10	4	5	3	5	11	6	66	71	
Non-Durable Consumer Goods	3	3	10	13	3	2	10	10	12	4	66	78	
Machinery & Equipment	4	3	20	15	2	2	5	3	9	13	64	68	
Construction Materials and Supplies	4	5	17	15	5	4	4	2	6	9	69	71	
Other Intermediate Goods	8	5	10	10	4	5	4	4	11	8	74	76	
Export-Based Industries	4	5	9	5	2	1	6	6	31	10	55	76	
All Manufacturing Industries	5	4	12	11	3	3	6	6	15	8	66	75	

(1) Individual replies were weighted by the value of the respondent's shipments as reported to the Census of Manufacturers; these weighted replies were then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question. Because respondents could report more than one production difficulty, the percentages may add to more than 100%.

Industrial Corporations Financial Statistics

First Quarter, 1976

	Sales		Year-over Year Change Net income before Extraordinary items		Net income after Extraordinary items	
	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%
All industries	6,363	13.6	52	2.7	75	3.9
Mining industries	370	13.2	-40	-9.7	-12	-3.0
Manufacturing industries	3,077	13.6	42	4.4	38	3.9
Other industries	2,916	13.7	50	8.8	49	8.5

Oils and Fats — Manufacturer's Sales

January 1976 — Advance Information

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Retail Packages:						
1976	23,015	10 439	4,134	1 875	6,325	2 869
1975	18,646	8 458	3,057	1 387	4,843	2 197
Commercial Packages:						
1976	880	399	11,644	5 281	1,202	545
1975	875	397	10,752	4 877	1,718	779
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers:						
1976	11,765	5 337	2,653	1 204	6,456	2 928
1975	8,924	4 048	662	300	2,805	1 272
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers:						
1976	—	—	13,228	6 000	4,544	2 061
1975	—	—	14,288	6 481	4,171	1 892

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

For further information, order the January issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Tobacco Products, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of cigarettes for April amounted to 5.6 billion compared to 5.2 billion for April 1975. Production of cigars was 47.3 million compared to 42.9 million in April 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Service Bulletin* (32-011, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Mobile Homes, First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

Shipments of domestic mobile homes increased to 3,488 single units in the first quarter from 2,782 single units in the same quarter of 1975. Shipments of double-wide units increased to 679 from 431.

For further information, order *Fabricated Metal Products Service Bulletin* (41-009, \$3 a year), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Tea and Coffee, *First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

During the first quarter, production of roasted coffee was 23,137,000 pounds — 10 494 767 kg (kilograms) — compared to 24,657,000 pounds — 11 184 227 kg — in the first quarter of 1975. Production of instant coffee was 6,519,000 pounds — 2 956 969 kg — compared to 6,328,000 pounds — 2 870 332 kg. Production of tea was 11,720,000 pounds — 5 316 103 kg — compared to 12,067,000 pounds — 5 473 499 kg — a year earlier.

For further information, order the First Quarter issue of *Miscellaneous Food Preparations* (32-018, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Summary of Expenditure by Family Income, 14 Cities, 1974 All Families and Unattached Individuals

	Income Class					
	All Classes	Under \$7,000	\$7,000- \$10,999	\$11,000- \$14,999	\$15,000- \$19,999	\$20,000 & Over
Family Characteristics	6,630	1,948	1,354	1,151	1,078	1,099
Number of Families in Sample	6,630.0	1,315.8	1,272.2	1,293.3	1,306.1	1,442.6
Weighted Number of Families						
Average	2.98	1.72	2.55	3.15	3.46	3.92
Family Size	.23	.10	.28	.32	.26	.22
No. of Children Under 5	.62	.19	.45	.73	.85	.86
No. of Children 5-15	.12	.04	.07	.09	.16	.23
No. of Adults 16-17	1.85	.85	1.61	1.96	2.15	2.60
No. of Adults 18-64	.20	.57	.20	.10	.09	.07
No. of Adults 65 and Over	.92	.16	.70	1.01	1.20	1.49
No. of Full-time Earners	44.7	54.7	42.5	40.9	41.4	44.2
Age of Head	4,510.4	4,322.7	9,038.3	12,976.2	17,232.9	27,538.6
Net Income Before Taxes(\$)	358.6	294.1	246.2	319.4	370.9	540.6
Other Money Receipts(\$)	512.1	280.4	355.1	85.9	707.6	2,359.0
Net Change in Assets and Liabilities(\$)						
Percentage	50.3	26.0	31.1	51.6	62.8	77.0
Homeowners	71.4	25.9	66.8	79.9	89.9	92.7
Car or Truck Owners	68.7	67.5	68.8	68.4	68.7	70.2
With Head Canadian Born	16.3	.9	5.0	14.1	25.3	34.3
With Wife Employed Full Time						
Average Dollar Expenditure	2,412.3	1,290.6	1,934.3	2,411.1	2,817.9	3,490.6
Food	2,102.2	1,235.4	1,721.9	2,037.4	2,397.6	3,018.8
Shelter	769.0	811.7	1,022.0	823.1	715.8	506.6
Rented Living Quarters	904.2	217.6	402.4	819.8	1,216.8	1,765.7
Owned Living Quarters	98.4	16.3	49.4	68.8	95.3	246.0
Other Housing	330.5	189.7	248.2	325.7	369.7	500.4
Water and Fuel	526.6	257.9	419.5	514.0	578.4	830.4
Household Operation	683.3	206.1	499.1	663.3	820.1	1,175.2
Furnishings and Equipment	148.7	44.4	113.7	153.1	191.9	231.6
Household Appliances	534.6	161.7	385.4	510.2	628.2	943.5
Other	993.4	318.5	668.9	923.1	1,187.2	1,782.7
Clothing	239.7	108.0	187.5	236.9	276.0	375.4
Personal Care	297.6	132.0	236.1	286.4	352.8	463.0
Medical and Health Care	478.3	212.2	386.2	482.9	560.3	723.9
Smoking and Alcoholic Beverages	1,712.0	391.5	1,198.7	1,680.8	2,091.7	3,053.2
Travel and Transportation	1,337.4	238.2	970.8	1,360.0	1,722.1	2,294.7
Automobile (and Truck)	630.8	82.7	438.3	638.1	821.3	1,121.6
Purchase	706.6	155.5	532.4	721.8	900.7	1,173.2
Operation	374.6	153.2	227.9	320.9	369.6	758.4
Other	541.0	181.8	365.2	511.9	653.4	948.1
Recreation	81.4	39.8	67.8	78.9	88.9	126.6
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Urban Family Expenditure, 1974 — Advance Information.

A survey of private households in 14 cities was conducted early in 1975, in which families were asked to recall their expenditures for the previous year. Detailed information was provided by 6,630 families and unattached individuals in St. John's, Halifax, Saint John, Quebec City, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Thunder Bay, Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Regina, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver. Weighting was used to give each geographic area its due importance in the total. The table presented shows summary information of the average dollar expenditure and percentage distributions of total expenditure for all families and unattached individuals, by family income.

The figures in this table are preliminary and may be subject to minor revision. The report for the survey entitled *Urban Family Expenditure, 1974* will be published later this year. Detailed information by city, family income and family type will be available early in July and may be obtained by contacting Mr. H. Krebs (613-996-4519), Family Expenditure Section, Consumer Income and Expenditure Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Summary of Expenditure by Family Income, 14 Cities, 1974
All Families and Unattached Individuals(Continued)

	All Classes	Income Class				
		Under \$7,000	\$7,000- \$10,999	\$11,000- \$14,999	15,000- \$19,999	\$20,000 & Over
Education	107.0	36.5	71.4	83.5	100.6	229.4
Miscellaneous Expenses	292.3	90.0	207.2	306.9	355.3	482.0
Total Current Consumption	1,0467.0	4,500.2	7,963.6	10,217.1	12,280.3	16,699.2
Personal Taxes	2,580.7	224.7	1,133.0	2,058.2	2,991.6	6,102.5
Security	706.6	82.9	362.6	571.6	858.5	1,562.3
Gifts and Contributions	295.1	127.6	216.9	280.4	293.1	531.8
Total Expenditure	14,049.4	4,935.4	9,676.1	13,127.3	16,423.5	24,895.8
Percentage Distribution						
Food	17.2	26.1	20.0	18.4	17.2	14.0
Shelter	15.0	25.0	17.8	15.5	14.6	12.1
Rented Living Quarters	5.5	16.4	10.6	6.3	4.4	2.0
Owned Living Quarters	6.4	4.4	4.2	6.2	7.4	7.1
Other Housing	.7	.3	.5	.5	.6	1.0
Water and Fuel	2.4	3.8	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.0
Household Operation	3.7	5.2	4.3	3.9	3.5	3.3
Furnishings and Equipment	4.9	4.2	5.2	5.1	5.0	4.7
Household Appliances	1.1	.9	1.2	1.2	1.2	.9
Other	3.8	3.3	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.8
Clothing	7.1	6.5	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.2
Personal Care	1.7	2.2	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.5
Medical and Health Care	2.1	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.1	1.9
Smoking and Alcoholic Beverages	3.4	4.3	4.0	3.7	3.4	2.9
Travel and Transportation	12.2	7.9	12.4	12.8	12.7	12.3
Automobile (and Truck)	9.5	4.8	10.0	10.4	10.5	9.2
Purchase	4.5	1.7	4.5	4.9	5.0	4.5
Operation	5.0	3.2	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.7
Other	2.7	3.1	2.4	2.4	2.3	3.0
Recreation	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.8
Reading	.6	.8	.7	.6	.5	.5
Education	.8	.7	.7	.6	.6	.9
Miscellaneous Expenses	2.1	1.8	2.1	2.3	2.2	1.9
Total Current Consumption	74.5	91.2	82.3	77.8	74.8	67.1
Personal Taxes	18.4	4.6	11.7	15.7	18.2	24.5
Security	5.0	1.7	3.7	4.4	5.2	6.3
Gifts and Contributions	2.1	2.6	2.2	2.1	1.8	2.1
Total Expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Consumer Credit, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly was \$18,928 million at the end of March, 15.7% more than a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of selected credit holders at the end of March 1976, with percent change from a year earlier:

- Chartered bank personal loans: \$13,586 million, up 22.2%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$61 million, up 32.6%.
- Life insurance company policy loans: \$1,162 million, up 6.0%.
- Sales finance and consumer company loans: small \$238 million, down 14.7%; large \$1,498 million, up 0.5%; retail instalment sales paper \$1,109 million, down 1.2%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,273 million, up 4.9%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$5,028 million at the end of the last quarter of 1975, up 15.3% from a year earlier. These holders include other retail stores, other credit-card issuers, credit unions and caisses populaires, public utilities, trust and mortgage and loan companies.

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the fourth quarter of 1975 totalled \$23,724 million, up 16.4% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Manufacturers' shipments in March, with an estimated value of \$7,724.8 million, seasonally adjusted, were 1.3% higher than the estimate of \$7,623.1 million for February. Shipments of durable goods industries, estimated at \$3,568.4 million, were up 0.6% from the February value of \$3,546.5 million. Among non-durable goods industries, shipments rose 2.0% to \$4,156.4 million from the February estimate of \$4,076.6 million.

The seasonally-adjusted value of new orders received, at \$7,609.9 million in March, was 0.8% higher than the February estimate of \$7,549.9 million. At \$3,448.7 million for March, new orders in durable goods industries declined 0.7% from the February value of \$3,473.4 million. In non-durable goods industries, there was a 2.1% increase in new orders received from the February estimate of \$4,076.5 million to \$4,161.2 million.

Revised seasonally-adjusted estimates of shipments and new orders for both January and February now reflect a technical adjustment that takes account of the effect of a leap year in which February 29 fell on a Sunday, a day when trading activity is light. As a result, previously published January estimates have been lowered and those for February raised. The change in the two-month totals for these series is fractional. The revisions are published in the accompanying table. The preliminary estimate of the value of unfilled orders at the end of March, seasonally adjusted, was \$9,506.3 million, a decline of 1.2% from the February estimate of \$9,621.2 million. The estimate for durable goods industries of \$8,232.3 million was down 1.4% from the February value of \$8,352.0 million. In non-durable goods industries, the estimate was up 0.4% from \$1,269.2 million at the end of February to \$1,274.0 million a month later.

The value of inventory owned by manufacturers at the end of March, seasonally adjusted, increased 1.4% from the February estimate of \$15,622.4 million to \$15,840.5 million. Inventory held was up 1.1% from \$16,373.7 million to \$16,559.4 million. Relative changes in the categories: raw materials up 0.7%; goods in process up 0.3%; finished products up 2.4%.

The adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments for March was 2.05:1, the same level as the revised values for January and February. The ratio of finished products inventories to shipments was 0.70:1 in March compared with 0.69:1 in February and 0.68:1 in January.

Without adjustment for seasonal variation, total value of shipments in March was estimated at \$8,192.1 million, \$803.5 million higher than in February. For the first three months of 1976, shipments are estimated at \$22,469.2 million, an increase of 13.5% over the comparable period of 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Advance information on the pack, shipments and stocks of selected canned fruits and vegetables for March is now available.

For further information, order the March issue of *Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Footwear Statistics, March 1976 — Advance Information.

March production of footwear of all types increased to 3,963,803 pairs from 3,393,110 in March 1975.

For further information order the March 1976 issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact John Dornan (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, March 1976 — Advance Information.

March production of rubber increased to 39,086,000 pounds — 17 729 000 kg (kilograms) — compared to 23,900,000 pounds — 10 841 000 kg (kilograms) — in March 1975. Consumption of rubber increased to 59,494,000 pounds — 26 985 000 kg (kilograms) — compared to 48,032,000 pounds — 21 782 000 kg (kilograms) — for the same period last year.

For further information, order the March 1976 issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, May 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 67.8 million pounds on May 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 30.9 million, and stocks of cheddar cheese were down to 58.7 million pounds from 65.5 million. Stocks of skim milk powder increased 142.8% to 338.8 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk increased 1.9% to 16.6 million.

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1972 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Mar. 1976p	Feb. 1976r	Jan. 1976	Mar. 1975
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	8,192.1	7,298.6	6,978.5	6,902.8
Non-durable	4,290.7	3,907.0	3,796.7	3,724.8
Durable	3,901.4	3,391.6	3,181.8	3,178.9
New Orders: Total	8,125.1	7,268.8	6,896.6	6,847.7
Non-durable	4,296.4	3,918.8	3,813.2	3,738.8
Durable	3,828.8	3,350.0	3,083.4	3,108.9
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,601.3	9,668.3	9,698.1	10,301.9
Non-durable	1,269.8	1,264.1	1,252.3	1,258.2
Durable	8,331.5	8,404.1	8,445.8	9,043.8
Inventory Owned: Total	16,006.8	15,729.6	15,547.0	15,251.5
Inventory Held: Total	16,716.6	16,441.8	16,272.1	15,874.8
Raw materials	6,833.3	6,835.3	6,873.0	6,805.0
Goods in process	4,353.5	4,279.4	4,253.3	3,825.8
Finished Products	5,529.8	5,327.1	5,145.8	5,244.0
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	7,724.8	7,623.1	7,539.9r	6,769.0
Non-durable	4,156.4	4,076.6	4,090.3r	3,721.3
Durable	3,568.4	3,546.5	3,449.6r	3,047.7
New Orders: Total	7,609.9	7,549.9	7,378.6r	6,669.3
Non-durable	4,161.2	4,076.5	4,079.1r	3,741.3
Durable	3,448.7	3,473.4	3,299.5r	2,928.0
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,506.3	9,621.2	9,694.4	10,206.6
Non-durable	1,274.0	1,269.2	1,269.3	1,268.0
Durable	8,232.3	8,352.0	8,425.1	8,938.6
Inventory Owned: Total	15,840.5	15,622.4	15,489.7	15,096.3
Inventory Held: Total	16,559.4	16,373.7	16,259.3	15,733.8
Raw materials	6,876.0	6,827.9	6,810.7	6,858.4
Goods in process	4,305.3	4,293.1	4,295.2	3,780.1
Finished products	5,378.1	5,252.7	5,153.4	5,095.3
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	2.05	2.05	2.05r	2.23
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.70	0.69	0.68r	0.75

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Not Seasonally Adjusted					
	Mar. 1976p	Feb. 1976	% change	Jan.-Mar. 1976p	Jan.-Mar. 1975	% change
	(\$ millions)					
Newfoundland	32.1	27.2	18.1	83.6	101.8	-17.9
Nova Scotia	163.0	146.0	11.7	458.9	410.1	11.9
New Brunswick	157.4	145.0	8.6	455.9	399.3	14.2
Quebec	2,200.5	1,924.5	14.3	5,965.3	5,408.3	10.3
Ontario	4,278.1	3,784.5	13.0	11,630.7	10,054.7	15.7
Manitoba	209.3	201.5	3.9	599.1	567.7	5.5
Saskatchewan	78.4	72.4	8.3	225.8	236.4	-4.5
Alberta	360.7	333.5	8.2	1,019.9	861.7	18.4
British Columbia	702.0	655.8	7.0	2,003.3	1,736.1	15.4
Canada*	8,192.1	7,298.6	12.2	22,469.2	19,795.9	13.5

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 15, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended May 15 was 258,324 short tons — 234 348 t (metric tonnes) — a decrease of 6% from the preceding week's total of 274,086 short tons — 248 647 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 286,917 tons — 260 287 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) — equalling 100 was 141.0 in the current week, 149.6 a week earlier and 156.6 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

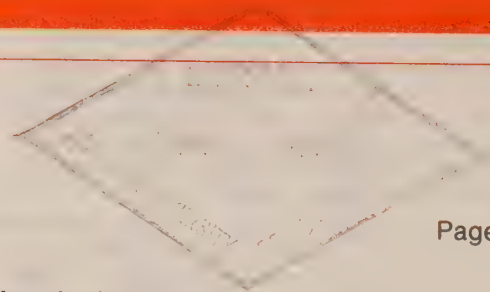
Dairy Factory Production, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of creamery butter rose 27.9% in April 1976 to 28.1 million pounds from 22.0 million pounds a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production increased 0.8% to 13.7 million pounds from 13.6 million pounds and production of ice cream mix increased 0.6% to 2.67 million gallons from 2.65 million gallons.

For further information order the April 1976 issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50) or contact Mr. C. M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, April 1976 (62-009, 30¢/\$3).

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPIs show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price level differences between cities. Some such intercity price comparisons are published separately. For reference see footnote to ensuing tables.)

From March to April, consumer price indexes advanced in all regional cities with increases ranging from 0.1% in St. John's, Ottawa and Calgary to 1.4% in Vancouver. The main contributors to these increases included higher shelter charges as well as price increases resulting from recently implemented provincial budgetary measures; higher cigarette prices had the largest impact among these measures. Increases were also recorded for some provincial automobile registration fees, for dental care charges, automobile repair rates and plane fares. Prices for food at home generally declined, largely as a result of lower meat prices.

St. John's

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.1%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 8.8%.

Main contributors: increases in automobile registration fees, gasoline and home ownership charges. Prices also up for clothing, dental care and restaurant meals. Food at home prices generally declined.

Halifax

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.3%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: higher shelter charges and increased prices resulting from the rise of the sales tax level from 7% to 8%. Cigarette prices were also up notably. Food index declined.

Saint John

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.5%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 9.1%.

Main contributors: higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation and increased electricity rates. Increases recorded for dental fees and automobile repair charges.

Quebec City

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.5%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, notably fresh produce, beef and restaurant meals. Increases in automobile registration fees, newspaper charges and for beer consumed at home.

Montreal

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.5%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: increased food prices, particularly for fresh produce, beef and restaurant meals. Increases in automobile registration fees and for automobile repairs. Higher prices for clothing and for beer consumed at home.

Ottawa

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.1%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher cigarette prices and increased shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Increases also recorded for dental care and clothing. Food index declined.

Toronto

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.3%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher cigarette prices, increased shelter charges and higher dental care fees. Food at home prices generally down.

Thunder Bay

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.5%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: higher cigarette prices and increased shelter charges. Increases in clothing prices and dental care fees. Food at home index declined.

Winnipeg

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.4%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: increased electricity and water rates along with higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Food at home prices declined.

Saskatoon

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.6%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 9.6%.

Main contributors: increased cigarette prices and higher shelter charges. Prices up for clothing and automobile operation.

Regina

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.5%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 10.0%.

Main contributors: higher cigarette prices and increased shelter charges. Prices also up for gasoline and clothing. Food at home prices generally down.

Edmonton

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.3%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 9.4%.

Main contributors: increased shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation; higher prices for clothing and increased dentists' fees. Food at home prices generally down.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
April 1976 index	151.5	175.8	146.5	124.8	146.5	152.4	132.5	139.7
March 1976 index	151.3	177.3	146.0	124.1	144.5	150.3	132.6	139.7
% change from March 1976	0.1	-0.8	0.3	0.6	1.4	1.4	-0.1	0.0
% change from April 1975	8.8	8.2	12.8	0.2	9.5	9.3	6.7	9.1
Halifax								
April 1976 index	143.0	164.3	137.2	124.1	144.9	132.5	129.7	130.8
March 1976 index	142.6	166.3	136.6	123.5	143.8	131.0	129.2	127.0
% change from March 1976	0.3	-1.2	0.4	0.5	0.8	1.1	0.4	3.0
% change from April 1975	9.7	4.6	14.1	4.6	14.0	7.5	6.5	8.5
Saint John								
April 1976 index	146.2	171.1	139.6	123.5	144.0	147.1	141.5	124.5
March 1976 index	145.5	171.7	138.3	122.8	143.3	144.8	141.3	124.5
% change from March 1976	0.5	-0.3	0.9	0.6	0.5	1.6	0.1	0.0
% change from April 1975	9.1	8.7	11.2	3.8	10.1	10.9	6.6	4.2
Quebec City								
April 1976 index	141.7	164.9	133.6	126.5	142.0	135.6	132.9	128.5
March 1976 index	141.0	163.8	133.4	126.1	140.6	135.4	130.9	127.8
% change from March 1976	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.3	1.0	0.1	1.5	0.5
% change from April 1975	7.9	6.9	9.1	4.1	11.5	10.5	7.1	5.7
Montreal								
April 1976 index	143.1	166.1	130.6	133.9	143.1	142.1	136.3	129.6
March 1976 index	142.4	165.2	130.4	133.1	141.9	140.8	136.0	128.9
% change from March 1976	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.2	0.5
% change from April 1975	7.9	6.1	8.8	6.6	13.4	9.1	6.7	5.4
Ottawa								
April 1976 index	143.6	160.8	137.3	136.1	140.3	141.3	132.3	136.6
March 1976 index	143.4	162.3	136.8	135.5	140.6	138.7	132.3	132.2
% change from March 1976	0.1	-0.9	0.4	0.4	-0.2	1.9	0.0	3.3
% change from April 1975	8.5	5.4	10.9	8.1	10.5	8.4	6.1	8.6
Toronto								
April 1976 index	144.1	164.6	137.0	129.9	139.6	147.4	135.6	134.3
March 1976 index	143.7	165.4	136.3	129.5	139.6	145.9	135.6	129.5
% change from March 1976	0.3	-0.5	0.5	0.3	0.0	1.0	0.0	3.7
% change from April 1975	8.5	5.6	10.8	5.4	10.9	9.3	6.5	8.1
Thunder Bay								
April 1976 index	146.0	164.5	142.6	124.5	148.4	142.8	133.4	132.0
March 1976 index	145.3	164.8	142.1	123.7	148.0	141.2	133.0	127.9
% change from March 1976	0.5	-0.2	0.4	0.6	0.3	1.1	0.3	3.2
% change from April 1975	9.7	4.9	14.1	5.6	11.8	9.5	8.8	6.9
Winnipeg								
April 1976 index	146.7	165.2	146.4	129.3	140.8	147.6	131.3	128.8
March 1976 index	146.1	167.4	143.2	129.1	140.2	147.2	131.0	128.8
% change from March 1976	0.4	-1.3	2.2	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.0
% change from April 1975	9.7	5.7	15.7	4.4	11.2	10.9	6.5	4.4
Saskatoon**								
April 1976 index	142.6	162.9	138.3	131.5	132.9	135.5	143.0	130.7
March 1976 index	141.8	162.7	137.7	130.7	132.2	134.3	142.7	125.7
% change from March 1976	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.2	4.0
% change from April 1975	9.6	6.5	14.1	5.3	10.2	5.1	8.3	11.2
Regina**								
April 1976 index	141.9	155.1	139.5	130.3	135.1	137.9	144.6	131.1
March 1976 index	141.2	156.4	138.7	129.6	133.2	137.0	144.6	126.0
% change from March 1976	0.5	-0.8	0.6	0.5	1.4	0.7	0.0	4.0
% change from April 1975	10.0	4.4	16.2	5.4	11.6	5.8	9.4	10.4

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (conitnued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Edmonton**								
April 1976 index	144.0	155.3	146.5	130.7	143.0	135.6	131.1	128.2
March 1976 index	143.6	156.2	145.7	129.8	142.5	133.3	130.8	128.2
% change from March 1976	0.3	-0.6	0.5	0.7	0.4	1.7	0.2	0.0
% change from April 1975	9.4	4.4	15.4	4.2	12.1	8.3	5.8	6.1
Calgary**								
April 1976 index	143.4	157.9	141.1	133.3	142.1	139.7	132.0	128.2
March 1976 index	143.2	159.4	140.1	132.9	141.6	137.2	131.6	128.2
% change from March 1976	0.1	-0.9	0.7	0.3	0.4	1.8	0.3	0.0
% change from April 1975	9.7	5.1	16.3	4.2	11.6	9.9	5.5	6.1
Vancouver								
April 1976 index	149.8	169.2	143.1	134.4	150.5	145.8	130.5	135.9
March 1976 index	147.7	169.8	140.1	132.1	148.1	140.0	129.3	131.5
% change from March 1976	1.4	-0.4	2.1	1.7	1.6	4.1	0.9	3.3
% change from April 1975	11.9	5.9	14.1	6.6	21.8	11.1	8.6	11.2

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of Prices and Price Indexes (62-002, 50¢/\$5.50).

** These indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supercede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin, Vol. 3, No. 5 (62-005).

Calgary

All items: March to April 1976, up 0.1%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation; increased dental fees also reported. Generally lower prices for food at home.

Vancouver

All items: March to April 1976, up 1.4%; April 1975 to April 1976, up 11.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices resulting from rise in sales tax level from 5% to 7%; increases also reported in electricity rates and for dental care fees. Food at home prices generally down.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 15, 1976 — Revised.

Revised steel ingot production for the week ended May 15 was 266,074 short tons — 241 378 t (metric tonnes) — a decrease of 3.0% from the preceding week's total of 274,086 short tons — 248 647 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 286 917 short ton — 260 287 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) — equalling 100 was 145.2 in the current week, 149.6 a week earlier and 156.6 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oil Pipe Line Transport, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,471,000 barrels a day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in March, down 4.7% from the 2,594,000 B/D received a year earlier. Domestic petroleum and products decreased 6.8% to 1,979,000 B/D, while imported petroleum and products increased 4.5% to 492,000 B/D.

For further information order the March issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending May 7

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,824,041	2,157,571	4,981,612
Short tons, 1975	2,619,284	2,167,072	4,786,356
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 561 927	1 957 315	4 519 242
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 376 174	1 965 935	4 342 109
% change	7.8	-0.4	4.1
Cars, 1976	45,826	33,230	79,056
Cars, 1975	42,938	34,967	77,905
% change	6.7	-5.0	1.5
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	141,278	55,189	196,467
Short tons, 1975	140,130	55,517	195,647
Metric tonnes, 1976	128 165	50 067	178 232
Metric tonnes, 1975	127 124	50 364	177 488
% change	0.8	-0.6	0.4
Cars, 1976	4,667	2,275	6,942
Cars, 1975	4,672	2,478	7,150
% change	-0.1	-8.2	-2.9
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	42,239,968	33,693,701	75,933,669
Short tons, 1975	41,123,027	34,623,176	75,746,203
Metric tonnes, 1976	38 319 454	30 566 411	68 885 865
Metric tonnes, 1975	37 306 183	31 409 617	68 715 799
% change	2.7	-2.7	0.2
Cars, 1976	716,534	522,909	1,239,443
Cars, 1975	711,095	554,006	1,265,101
% change	0.8	-5.6	-2.0
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	2,318,886	859,461	3,178,347
Short tons, 1975	2,376,219	867,143	3,243,362
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 103 658	779 690	2 883 348
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 155 670	786 659	2 942 329
% change	-2.4	-0.9	-2.0
Cars, 1976	77,635	36,508	114,143
Cars, 1975	81,689	41,109	122,798
% change	-5.0	-11.2	-7.0

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 7, 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

Rail freight volume rose 4.1% during the first week of May to 5.0 million short tons (4.5 million metric tonnes) and carloads increased 1.5% to 79,056 from the 1975 period. Tonnage originated east of the Lakehead rose 7.8%, while in the West a decline of 0.4% was registered.

Traffic loaded in containers and highway transport trailers (piggyback) at 196,467 short tons (178 232 metric tonnes) was up 0.4% from the 1975 level.

Cumulative rail loadings to May 7 totalled 75.9 million short tons (68.9 million metric tonnes), a gain of 0.2% over 1975. Piggyback traffic was down 2.0% to 3.2 million short tons (2.9 million metric tonnes).

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Index of Industrial Production, March 1976 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production increased 0.8% to 117.9 in March from the revised level of 117.0 in February. Manufacturing and utilities contributed to this increase while mining decreased 2.4%.

For further information, order the March issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 6 and 7)

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	4th Qtr. 1975	1st Qtr. 1976	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	114.2	117.1	2.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	104.7	106.7	1.9
Metal mines	1.584	96.5	106.8	10.7
Mineral fuels	1.492	112.9	105.6	-6.4
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	104.6	113.5	8.4
Manufacturing industries	22.862	113.6	116.6	2.6
Food and beverage industries	3.254	112.3	115.1	2.5
Tobacco products industries	.212	112.1	114.3	2.0
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	126.2	125.2	-0.7
Leather industries	.206	103.5	103.7	0.2
Textile industries	.756	115.3	115.6	0.3
Knitting mills	.205	110.6	105.9	-4.2
Clothing industries	.742	108.1	110.3	2.1
Wood industries	.968	113.7	121.5	6.8
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	116.5	122.2	4.8
Paper and allied industries	1.878	83.0	98.3	18.4
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	119.9	119.9	—
Primary metal industries	1.976	105.6	105.9	0.3
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	114.8	117.6	2.4
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	137.0	136.3	-0.5
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	121.2	124.6	2.9
Electrical products industries	1.631	117.2	119.6	2.1
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	123.5	116.7	-5.5
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	126.0	125.7	-0.3
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	119.7	122.7	2.5
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	106.0	109.1	2.9
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	131.6	135.6	3.0
Special Industry groupings:				
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	109.7	113.6	3.6
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	117.6	119.5	1.6

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1976				% Change
		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	115.5	116.3	117.0	117.9	0.8
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	106.3	108.4	107.2	104.6	-2.4
Metal mines	1.584	99.8	109.7	106.6	104.1	-2.3
Mineral fuels	1.492	112.5	107.1	106.8	102.8	-3.8
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	109.5	113.5	113.2	113.7	0.4
Manufacturing industries	22.862	114.7	115.3	116.5	117.9	1.2
Food and beverage industries	3.254	114.6	115.0	115.2	115.0	-0.1
Tobacco products industries	.212	111.5	111.8	111.3	119.9	7.7
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	125.0	123.9	127.1	124.7	-2.0
Leather industries	.206	100.6	104.3	103.3	103.6	0.3
Textile industries	.756	114.0	114.9	116.3	115.7	-0.5
Knitting mills	.205	111.1	107.5	105.5	104.7	-0.8
Clothing industries	.742	108.8	110.8	110.5	109.7	-0.8
Wood industries	.968	117.9	121.1	122.3	121.1	-0.9
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	116.8	121.7	122.2	122.6	0.3
Paper and allied industries	1.878	83.0	87.4	96.4	111.2	15.3
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	119.7	119.6	119.5	120.7	1.0
Primary metal industries	1.976	105.1	104.4	106.6	106.7	0.1
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	115.4	117.4	117.3	118.1	0.7
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	136.5	135.2	136.5	137.1	0.4
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	124.3	124.5	124.3	125.1	0.6
Electrical products industries	1.631	118.5	117.2	120.6	121.0	0.3
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	121.9	117.0	118.2	114.9	-2.8
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	131.6	132.5	122.5	122.0	-0.4
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	122.6	122.7	121.7	123.6	1.6
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	106.9	109.1	108.6	109.7	1.1
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	133.9	135.4	134.7	136.5	1.4
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	110.8	111.9	113.1	115.8	2.4
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	118.7	118.7	119.9	120.0	0.1

Weekly Security Price Indexes

May 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	May 14/76 This week	May 7/76 Week ago	Apr. 15/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	112.8	110.7	108.8
Industrials	85	117.3	114.7	112.8
Foods	9	96.6	96.7	95.9
Alcoholic beverages	5	86.0	83.7	86.6
Textiles and clothing	3	133.6	135.2	128.8
Pulp and paper	7	155.9	156.8	154.1
Printing and publishing	5	135.6	136.0	137.3
Primary metals	4	131.9	128.3	122.7
Industrial mines	6	103.2	100.1	95.5
Metal fabricating	9	222.6	217.8	215.7
Non-metallic minerals	4	109.2	109.5	109.8
Petroleum	8	109.2	104.4	105.3
Chemicals	5	141.0	138.8	145.1
Construction	5	213.8	209.9	199.4
Trade	15	100.1	99.7	97.7
Utilities and services	28	93.4	91.8	89.0
Transportation	6	131.5	129.7	123.6
Pipelines	5	79.3	78.5	76.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	108.9	108.0	105.0
Telephone	4	94.4	92.4	90.6
Electric power	3	108.7	105.6	103.3
Gas distribution	5	70.0	68.2	65.4
Finances	21	119.8	119.1	118.7
Banks	8	124.3	123.4	123.0
Investment and loan	9	110.6	110.7	110.3
Insurance	4	101.3	99.9	100.7
Mining Index	17	108.1	107.4	104.4
Golds	9	171.0	172.9	165.3
Base metals	8	77.9	76.0	75.2
Uraniums	2	216.8	213.7	217.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	114.9	110.3	102.6

For further information, order the May issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-6216), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Summary of Expenditure by Family Income, 14 Cities, 1974

All Families and Unattached Individuals

	Income Class					
	All Classes	Under \$7,000	\$7,000- \$10,999	\$11,000- \$14,999	\$15,000- \$19,999	\$20,000 & Over
Family Characteristics						
Number of Families in Sample	6,630	1,948	1,354	1,151	1,078	1,099
Weighted Number of Families	6,630.0	1,315.8	1,272.2	1,293.3	1,306.1	1,442.6
Average						
Family Size	2.98	1.72	2.55	3.15	3.46	3.92
No. of Children Under 5	.23	.10	.28	.32	.26	.22
No. of Children 5-15	.62	.19	.45	.73	.85	.86
No. of Adults 16-17	.12	.04	.07	.09	.16	.23
No. of Adults 18-64	1.85	.85	1.61	1.96	2.15	2.60
No. of Adults 65 and Over	.20	.57	.20	.10	.09	.07
No. of Full-time Earners	.92	.16	.70	1.01	1.20	1.49
Age of Head	44.7	54.7	42.5	40.9	41.4	44.2
Net Income Before Taxes(\$)	14,510.4	4,322.7	9,038.3	12,976.2	17,232.9	27,538.6
Other Money Receipts(\$)	358.6	294.1	246.2	319.4	370.9	540.6
Net Change in Assets and Liabilities(\$)	512.1	-280.4	-355.1	-85.9	707.6	2,359.0
Percentage						
Homeowners	50.3	26.0	31.1	51.6	62.8	77.0
Car or Truck Owners	71.4	25.9	66.8	79.9	89.9	92.7
With Head Canadian Born	68.7	67.5	68.8	68.4	68.7	70.2
With Wife Employed Full Time	16.3	.9	5.0	14.1	25.3	34.3
Average Dollar Expenditure						
Food	2,412.3	1,290.6	1,934.3	2,411.1	2,817.9	3,490.6
Shelter	2,102.2	1,235.4	1,721.9	2,037.4	2,397.6	3,018.8
Rented Living Quarters	769.0	811.7	1,022.0	823.1	715.8	506.6
Owned Living Quarters	904.2	217.6	402.4	819.8	1,216.8	1,765.7
Other Housing	98.4	16.3	49.4	68.8	95.3	246.0
Water and Fuel	330.5	189.7	248.2	325.7	369.7	500.4
Household Operation	526.6	257.9	419.5	514.0	578.4	830.4
Furnishings and Equipment	683.3	206.1	499.1	663.3	820.1	1,175.2
Household Appliances	148.7	44.4	113.7	153.1	191.9	231.6
Other	534.6	161.7	385.4	510.2	628.2	943.5
Clothing	993.4	318.5	668.9	923.1	1,187.2	1,782.7
Personal Care	239.7	108.0	187.5	236.9	276.0	375.4
Medical and Health Care	297.6	132.0	236.1	286.4	352.8	463.0
Smoking and Alcoholic Beverages	478.3	212.2	386.2	482.9	560.3	723.9
Travel and Transportation	1,712.0	391.5	1,198.7	1,680.8	2,091.7	3,053.2
Automobile (and Truck)	1,337.4	238.2	970.8	1,360.0	1,722.1	2,294.7
Other	374.6	153.2	227.9	320.9	369.6	758.4
Recreation	541.0	181.8	365.2	511.9	653.4	948.1
Reading	81.4	39.8	67.8	78.9	88.9	126.6
Education	107.0	36.5	71.4	83.5	100.6	229.4
Miscellaneous Expenses	292.3	90.0	207.2	306.9	355.3	482.0
Total Current Consumption	10,467.0	4,500.2	7,963.6	10,217.1	12,280.3	16,699.2
Personal Taxes	2,580.7	224.7	1,133.0	2,058.2	2,991.6	6,102.5
Security	706.6	82.9	362.6	571.6	858.5	1,562.3
Gifts and Contributions	295.1	127.6	216.9	280.4	293.1	531.8
Total Expenditure	14,049.4	4,935.4	9,676.1	13,127.3	16,423.5	24,895.8

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Urban Family Expenditure, 1974 — Correction.

There was a misalignment and typographical errors in the table on urban family expenditure published in the *Daily Tuesday*, May 18. A corrected version of the table is reproduced in this issue.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of May amounted to 104.0 million pounds compared to 102.5 million in April and 105.9 million in May 1975.

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Summary of Expenditure by Family Income, 14 Cities, 1974
All Families and Unattached Individuals(Continued)

	Income Class					
	All Classes	Under \$7,000	\$7,000- \$10,999	\$11,000- \$14,999	15,000- \$19,999	\$20,000 & Over
Percentage Distribution						
Food	17.2	26.1	20.0	18.4	17.2	14.0
Shelter	15.0	25.0	17.8	15.5	14.6	12.1
Rented Living Quarters	5.5	16.4	10.6	6.3	4.4	2.0
Owned Living Quarters	6.4	4.4	4.2	6.2	7.4	7.1
Other Housing	.7	.3	.5	.5	.6	1.0
Water and Fuel	2.4	3.8	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.0
Household Operation	3.7	5.2	4.3	3.9	3.5	3.3
Furnishings and Equipment	4.9	4.2	5.2	5.1	5.0	4.7
Household Appliances	1.1	.9	1.2	1.2	1.2	.9
Other	3.8	3.3	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.8
Clothing	7.1	6.5	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.2
Personal Care	1.7	2.2	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.5
Medical and Health Care	2.1	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.1	1.9
Smoking and Alcoholic Beverages	3.4	4.3	4.0	3.7	3.4	2.9
Travel and Transportation	12.2	7.9	12.4	12.8	12.7	12.3
Automobile (and Truck)	9.5	4.8	10.0	10.4	10.5	9.2
Other	2.7	3.1	2.4	2.4	2.3	3.0
Recreation	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.8
Reading	.6	.8	.7	.6	.5	.5
Education	.8	.7	.7	.6	.6	.9
Miscellaneous Expenses	2.1	1.8	2.1	2.3	2.2	1.9
Total Current Consumption	74.5	91.2	82.3	77.8	74.8	67.1
Personal Taxes	18.4	4.6	11.7	15.7	18.2	24.5
Security	5.0	1.7	3.7	4.4	5.2	6.3
Gifts and Contributions	2.1	2.6	2.2	2.1	1.8	2.1
Total Expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Railway Operating Statistics, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Operating revenues of six major railways in Canada totalled \$266.5 million in March, an increase of 29.6% over March 1975. Operating expenses rose 15.3% to \$254.2 million resulting in a net income of \$12.3 million.

Freight ton-miles at 10,587.6 million were 9.9% higher in the month while freight train-miles declined 3.1% to 5.5 million. Freight car-miles rose 2.9% to 364.3 million. Revenue passenger-miles declined 17.7% to 116.9 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communication Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Radio Air-Time Sales, February 1976 — Advance Information.

Gross National AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$4.9 million for February, a decrease of 0.8% from \$5.0 million for February 1975. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$4.2 million, an increase of 4.6% over the \$4.0 million reported last year.

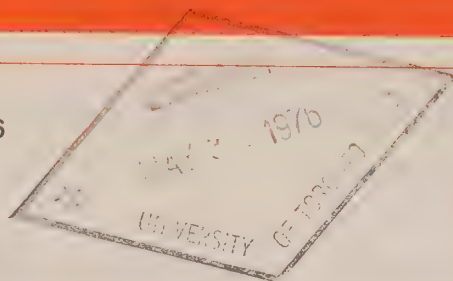
Net local air-time sales were \$10.4 million compared to \$9.6 million last year, an increase of 7.7%.

For further information, order *Communication Service Bulletin* (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communication Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, April 1976
— Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat.

Canadian exports on a balance of payments basis, after seasonal adjustment, rose 3.5% to \$3,098 million in April. The increase in imports was marginal to \$3,036 million. The balance of merchandise trade thus turned around by \$89 million to a preliminary surplus of \$62 million from the revised deficit of \$27 million in March. For the three-month period from February to April, the trade balance was in surplus by \$6 million, an improvement over the \$237 million deficit for the three-month period ended in January.

Exports (Customs Basis)

Following a gain of 5% over March, to \$3,050 million, seasonally adjusted exports in April stood at about the average level for the first quarter of 1976. The value of shipments to the United States gained 7.5% to \$2,120 million, but exports to overseas countries remained practically unchanged at \$930 million. A sharp recovery in exports in April to the "other eight" EEC countries and to Japan was offset by declines in shipments to the United Kingdom and to the remaining countries.

Newsprint exports increased some \$40 million, following the earlier settlement of strikes in the industry. Exports of passenger vehicles rose roughly \$25 million, but the combined fall in shipments of trucks and vehicle parts was more substantial. A recovery by some \$20 million in April restored the value of shipments of metallic ores and concentrates to the February level.

Exports for the months of February-April also recorded an increase of 5% over the total for the preceding 3-month period. This increase was almost wholly attributable to higher shipments to the United States, owing to the faster pace of economic recovery in that country. Among overseas countries, exports gained substantially to the United Kingdom and Japan, but declined to other EEC countries and particularly to the remaining countries.

Exports of automotive goods to the United States in the 3 months ending in April, were close to \$400 million greater than the total for the previous period, and about 60% of the advance was attributable to motor vehicles.

Shipments of forestry products to the United States increased some \$235 million and those of non-ferrous metals and alloys about \$125 million. The value of crude oil deliveries was, however, lower by some \$325 million. Wheat shipments to overseas countries declined roughly \$100 million.

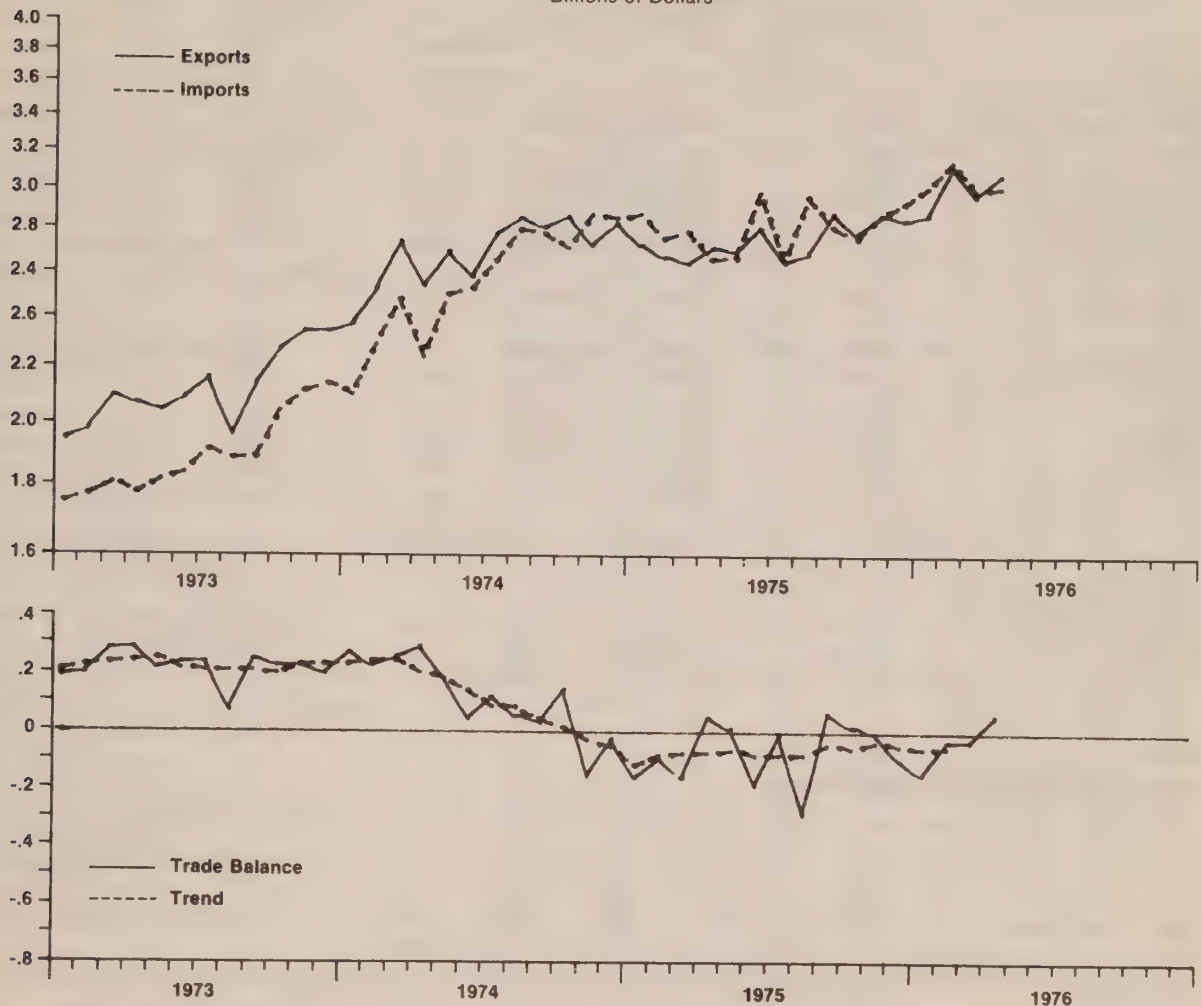
Imports (Customs Basis)

Following a 7.5% decline in March, seasonally adjusted imports rose 3.3% in April to \$3,106 million. Moderate declines in imports from the United States, the United Kingdom and other EEC countries and Japan were out-weighted by a sharp rise in shipments from other overseas countries. Much higher crude oil receipts (up some \$140 million) in the month were in

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EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



part offset by reduced imports (by about \$100 million) of motor vehicles and automotive parts. Imports of coal and industrial machinery were also higher, but those of agricultural machinery, other equipment, apparel and household goods were moderately lower in April.

An increase of 4.5% was recorded in imports in the 3 months ending in April over the preceding period. About 80% of this rise was concentrated in imports from the United States. Imports were also higher from Japan and the EEC countries, but were lower from the remaining countries. Imports of vehicle parts rose some \$260 million in the current 3-month period, but there was virtually no change in the value of vehicle imports. More moderate increases occurred in imports of meat, organic chemicals, machinery, communication and other equipment and household goods. The value of crude oil imports was considerably lower in the February-April period; and imports of coal and sugar fell more moderately.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the April issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see tables, pages 4-10)

Federal Government Finance, 1974-1975 — Advance Information.

Gross general revenue receipts for the federal government amounted to \$32,192 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1975. Gross general expenditure was \$30,891 million, leaving a surplus of \$1,301 million.

For further information, contact Mr. G.M. McIlveen (613-995-0669), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1974							
Fourth Quarter	8,622.0	6,609.7	5,738.1	316.2	2,567.7	516.4	425.8
1975							
First Quarter	8,679.1	6,914.9	5,571.8	334.5	2,772.8	584.9	395.3
Second Quarter	8,590.9	6,615.0	5,781.5	311.7	2,497.7	511.6	297.9
Third Quarter	8,653.8	6,515.7	6,040.2	289.8	2,323.8	483.6	256.3
Fourth Quarter	8,694.8	6,451.2	6,126.7	288.8	2,279.3	498.8	268.9
1976							
First Quarter	9,383.5	7,150.5	6,368.2	308.7	2,706.6	521.9	383.2
1975							
November	2,947.8	2,114.5	2,135.8	88.2	723.8	158.5	93.9
December	2,869.1	2,164.3	1,974.9	90.6	803.6	174.0	83.0
1976							
January	3,127.5	2,459.3	1,993.9	95.7	1,037.9	162.7	118.8
February	3,251.3	2,420.5	2,272.5	105.0	873.8	173.2	141.5
March	3,004.5	2,270.7	2,101.7	108.0	794.8	186.0	122.9
April	3,106.3	2,376.8	2,060.4	86.9	959.0	164.8	114.2
Percent changes							
April/March	3.3	4.6	-1.9	-19.5	20.6	-11.3	-7.0
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	4.6	4.9	5.4	9.2	2.4	5.8	28.0
Apr. 76/Apr. 75	12.8	12.3	8.9	-0.8	23.8	0.2	2.9

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	Feb. 1975	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,185.9	2,295.3	2,119.4	2,039.1	1,952.4	1,704.4	7.2	17.5	24.3
United Kingdom	90.6	113.9	91.9	90.2	110.5	97.5	0.4	3.0	-5.6
Other E.E.C.	162.5	181.0	139.0	159.2	170.0	162.3	2.0	6.4	-14.3
Japan	112.5	126.2	113.0	111.3	94.1	116.9	1.1	34.0	-3.4
Other O.E.C.D.	96.5	99.0	74.5	76.5	115.7	84.5	26.1	-14.4	-11.8
Other America	198.0	108.9	125.7	147.3	139.3	138.7	34.4	-21.8	-9.4
Other Countries	308.9	320.9	310.6	252.0	268.5	287.2	22.5	19.5	8.1
All Countries	3,154.9	3,245.2	2,974.1	2,875.6	2,850.5	2,591.5	9.7	13.8	14.7
	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	Apr. 1974	Mar. 1974	76/75	75/74	
United States	8,457.1	6,271.2	7,431.1	5,392.0	6,525.4	4,822.7	13.8	13.8	
United Kingdom	388.9	298.3	405.5	315.3	311.4	227.1	-4.1	30.2	
Other E.E.C.	634.0	471.5	677.0	517.8	529.7	369.1	-6.3	27.8	
Japan	463.9	351.4	467.7	356.4	329.3	249.0	-0.8	42.0	
Other O.E.C.D.	366.9	270.4	361.5	284.9	300.2	224.1	1.5	20.4	
Other America	635.4	437.4	626.4	479.1	569.4	446.0	1.4	10.0	
Other Countries	1,326.7	1,017.8	1,177.7	925.6	698.1	494.4	12.6	68.7	
All Countries	12,272.9	9,118.0	11,146.9	8,271.1	9,263.5	6,832.4	10.1	20.3	

Table 3

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	Feb. 1975	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	16.1	15.0	7.2	7.3	7.5	4.9	122.2	101.0	47.2
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	185.4	207.3	183.8	170.3	176.5	165.6	8.8	17.4	11.0
Meat and fish	34.5	40.4	39.8	23.5	22.7	25.6	47.0	77.5	55.3
Fruits and vegetables	65.9	64.6	58.5	62.4	53.8	53.8	5.6	20.0	8.8
Raw sugar	20.0	19.8	16.1	5.8	31.5	3.5	242.0	-37.2	358.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	502.5	328.4	341.6	403.9	384.2	373.4	24.4	-14.5	-8.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	36.1	19.2	22.0	33.4	30.2	23.3	8.1	-36.3	-5.6
Coal	43.3	2.0	2.3	43.6	10.2	17.5	-0.5	-80.1	-86.9
Crude petroleum	343.6	235.4	249.3	265.2	286.7	277.9	29.5	-17.8	-10.2
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	491.6	544.8	507.0	464.0	468.5	461.2	5.9	16.2	9.9
Wood and paper	63.1	74.1	75.8	41.9	37.1	34.2	50.5	99.6	121.7
Textiles	64.5	75.1	73.3	59.9	53.1	53.5	7.6	41.4	37.0
Chemicals	147.9	146.1	134.7	120.2	123.5	112.6	23.0	18.3	19.6
Iron and steel	53.0	48.8	54.3	77.6	83.0	86.5	-31.7	-41.1	-37.2
Bars and rods, steel	6.8	6.8	5.6	12.8	11.2	15.6	-47.0	-39.7	-64.3
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	14.3	13.2	17.5	18.6	24.7	26.7	-23.2	-46.4	-34.4
Non-ferrous metals	34.8	42.2	27.5	26.3	-33.4	35.1	32.3	26.5	-21.6
End Products, Inedible	1,872.9	2,038.6	1,899.4	1,805.8	1,787.7	1,565.5	3.7	14.0	21.3
General purpose machinery	97.8	121.0	110.9	112.1	126.9	110.5	-12.7	-4.6	0.3
Special industry machinery	181.3	158.1	162.1	161.6	159.3	143.3	12.2	-0.7	13.1
Machine tools, metalworking	11.3	13.7	11.3	14.3	16.0	14.1	-21.2	-14.4	-19.9
Agricultural machinery and tractors	122.5	126.5	109.6	117.2	116.0	93.6	4.5	9.1	17.0
Transportation equipment	905.5	965.4	892.4	889.7	833.9	677.5	1.7	15.7	31.7
Sedans, new	224.6	229.2	208.9	216.2	165.8	148.9	3.9	38.2	40.2
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	36.2	28.6	29.4	25.9	21.3	18.3	40.0	34.6	60.4
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	72.8	71.4	74.3	70.4	63.0	68.8	3.3	13.3	8.0
Other motor vehicle	24.6	24.8	22.7	31.2	30.0	21.0	-21.3	-17.1	8.3
Motor vehicle engines	45.7	43.2	43.6	37.5	35.8	26.5	21.7	20.6	64.8
Motor vehicle engine parts	39.6	38.8	41.4	32.8	30.1	26.2	20.8	28.7	57.8
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	372.5	425.6	389.8	321.6	298.6	268.0	15.8	42.5	45.4
Aircraft, complete with engines	5.8	9.9	7.0	68.7	73.2	11.3	-91.5	-86.4	-37.9
Other equipment and tools	299.2	349.9	326.2	290.2	299.6	279.1	3.0	16.8	16.8
Electronic computers	28.9	34.0	28.3	28.7	23.8	26.6	0.9	42.6	6.4
Special Transactions, Trade	86.4	111.1	34.9	24.4	26.3	21.0	254.0	321.7	66.1
Total	3,154.9	3,245.2	2,974.1	2,875.6	2,850.5	2,591.5	9.7	4.3	14.7

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Employment, Earnings and Hours, Seasonally-adjusted Data, March 1976 — Advance Information.

The first estimate of the Canada industrial composite index of employment (1961=100) for March showed a 0.3% decline from April. Decreases were recorded in all industry divisions except construction and transportation, communication and other utilities. Employment advanced in the Atlantic region. Quebec and Ontario showed no change and the Prairie region and British Columbia declined.

Average weekly earnings climbed 0.9% at the Canada industrial composite level in March. Gains occurred in all industry divisions except construction and in all five regions.

Average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage-earners decreased in mining, manufacturing and construction in March. Average hourly earnings increased in mining and manufacturing. Construction showed a slight decrease.

Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for January and February will be published in the March issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*, (72-002, 70¢/\$7) and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes	
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	Apr. 1974	Mar. 1974	76/75	75/74
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	42.4	26.3	29.9	22.7	57.0	44.7	41.5	-47.4
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	767.3	581.9	752.1	581.8	623.1	470.9	2.0	20.6
Meat and fish	152.2	117.7	100.9	77.5	105.2	85.0	50.7	-4.0
Fruits and vegetables	251.4	185.4	232.3	169.9	186.1	138.3	8.2	24.8
Raw sugar	67.2	47.2	111.7	105.9	59.9	38.9	-39.8	86.6
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,743.8	1,241.3	1,663.4	1,259.5	1,114.4	824.4	4.8	49.2
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	103.8	67.8	124.4	91.0	93.0	72.2	-16.5	33.7
Coal	90.0	46.6	99.4	55.8	21.0	12.3	-9.4	373.5
Crude petroleum	1,251.6	908.1	1,182.7	917.5	729.3	534.3	5.8	62.1
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	2,077.9	1,586.2	1,950.9	1,486.9	1,788.1	1,301.2	6.5	9.1
Wood and pulp	281.7	218.7	152.3	110.4	177.7	131.1	85.0	-14.3
Textiles	317.6	253.1	228.5	168.6	262.4	193.4	39.0	-12.9
Chemicals	558.9	411.0	486.8	366.6	422.2	302.1	14.8	15.3
Iron and steel	208.0	155.0	374.5	296.9	289.9	207.7	-44.4	29.1
Bars and rods, steel	25.3	18.5	61.1	48.3	58.8	43.2	-58.5	3.8
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	60.5	46.2	122.1	103.5	96.0	66.7	-50.4	27.2
Non ferrous metals	138.3	103.5	147.0	120.7	185.4	131.4	-5.9	-20.7
End Products, Inedible	7,384.4	5,511.5	6,653.7	4,847.9	5,601.7	4,134.9	10.9	18.7
General purpose machinery	428.8	331.0	461.3	349.2	341.7	250.5	-7.0	34.9
Special industry machinery	648.1	466.8	617.5	455.9	453.8	334.1	4.9	36.0
Machine tools, metalwork	48.7	37.4	59.4	45.1	42.9	31.9	-18.1	38.5
Agricultural machinery and tractors	454.0	331.4	410.1	292.9	238.9	168.5	10.7	71.6
Transportation equipment	3,434.8	2,529.3	3,005.6	2,115.9	2,672.1	1,975.1	14.2	12.4
Sedans, new	796.1	571.5	647.1	430.9	555.6	384.6	23.0	16.4
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	112.6	76.4	77.4	51.6	61.2	44.4	45.4	26.5
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	267.5	194.8	249.4	179.0	276.8	199.5	7.2	-9.8
Other motor vehicle	88.3	63.7	102.5	71.3	80.8	53.5	-13.8	26.9
Motor vehicle engines	167.7	122.0	131.7	94.2	132.8	96.3	27.3	-0.8
Motor vehicle engines parts	150.5	110.9	111.3	78.5	97.9	74.2	35.2	13.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,490.3	1,117.8	1,143.6	822.0	1,040.1	797.6	30.3	9.9
Aircraft, complete with engines	30.0	24.2	170.3	101.6	155.2	123.5	-82.3	9.6
Other equipment and tools	1,269.9	970.7	1,159.9	869.7	1,057.8	785.8	9.4	9.6
Electronic computers	119.0	90.1	110.7	82.0	109.9	83.2	7.5	0.6
Special Transactions, Trade	257.0	170.7	96.8	72.4	79.2	56.2	165.6	22.2
Total	12,272.9	9,118.0	11,146.9	8,271.1	9,263.5	6,832.4	7.6	20.3

Seasonally-adjusted Employment Indexes (1971=100), March 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table presents seasonally-adjusted employment indexes with a 1971 base period for selected industries at the Canada level. These indexes have been arithmetically converted from 1961-based data contained in *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7). The seasonal factors used to derive these adjusted data are the same as those used for the 1961-based data.

For further information concerning these series, contact Mr. G.L. Cohen (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see table on page 14)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, May 1 — Advance Information.

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on May 1 totalled 29.2 million pounds compared with 39.1 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 107.9 million pounds (85.4 million in 1975).

For further information order the May 1 issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Employment Indexes, Selected Industries, Canada

(1971=100)

(Seasonally-Adjusted)

Industry (1960 S.I.C.)	1971 percentage weights	Dec. p 1975	Jan. p 1976	Feb. p 1976	Mar. f 1976
Industrial Composite	100.00	111.4	111.7	111.8	111.5
Forestry	1.21	76.1	80.7	86.3	..
Mining, including milling	3.16	103.0	103.0	103.0	102.4
Manufacturing	39.54	103.3	103.7	104.7	104.5
Durable Goods	19.14	106.6	106.5	106.9	106.2
Non-Durable Goods	20.39	100.4	101.1	102.6	103.0
Construction	5.85	105.8	103.6	102.6	103.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	16.01	110.3	111.0	110.9	111.0
Transportation	9.53	104.2	104.3	104.2	..
Storage	0.38	100.4	100.2	100.7	..
Communication	3.96	124.6	124.9	125.4	..
Electric Power, Gas and Water	2.15	116.0	116.6	115.7	..
Trade	17.58	120.2	122.5	121.9	120.7
Wholesale Trade	5.84	119.3	119.4	119.4	118.3
Retail Trade	11.73	121.1	123.8	123.2	121.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	6.65	122.8	123.3	123.3	122.6
Service	10.01	130.5	129.2	128.6	128.0
Recreational Services	1.04	128.0	124.8	125.0	..
Business Services	2.31	139.9	140.0	138.4	..
Personal Services	4.68	125.6	123.0	122.4	..

. figures not available.

f figures estimated based on limited number of returns.

p preliminary figures.

r revised figures.

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data (continued)

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Mar. 1976f	Feb. 1976p	Jan. 1976p	Dec. 1975p	Mar. 1975 number	Feb. 1975	Mar. 1976f	Feb. 1976p	Jan. 1976p	Dec. 1975p
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining	40.0	40.4	40.8	40.1	40.6	40.8	39.7	40.0	40.3	40.7
Manufacturing	38.9	38.9	38.7	37.7	38.3	38.7	38.7	38.9	38.7	39.3
Durables	39.6	39.6	39.3	38.3	38.8	39.2	39.4	39.6	39.3	40.1
Non-durables	38.2	38.1	38.0	37.1	37.7	38.1	38.1	38.0	38.0	38.4
Construction	39.4	39.7	38.6	35.2	36.8	38.3	39.8	40.2	39.7	40.5
Building	38.5	38.4	37.5	34.8	35.7	37.2	38.7	38.6	38.2	39.5
Engineering	41.7	42.8	41.2	36.0	39.4	41.1	42.0	43.0	42.8	42.7
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	38.3	38.3	38.4	37.1	38.4	38.2	37.9	38.4	38.0	39.0
Quebec	39.2	39.2	38.9	37.9	38.8	39.6	39.0	39.0	38.9	39.8
Ontario	39.4	39.4	39.2	38.2	38.4	39.5	39.3	39.4	39.3	39.7
Prairie Region	37.6	37.4	37.3	36.8	37.5	37.5	37.6	37.5	37.4	37.6
British Columbia	36.7	36.6	36.8	35.8	36.3	36.5	36.2	36.5	36.5	36.8
dollars										
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining	7.23	7.14	7.06	7.00	6.27	6.02	7.17	7.13	7.04	6.93
Manufacturing	5.54	5.48	5.42	5.32	4.91	4.84	5.54	5.49	5.40	5.30
Durables	5.91	5.86	5.82	5.69	5.21	5.15	5.92	5.88	5.79	5.72
Non durables	5.14	5.07	4.96	4.90	4.58	4.50	5.14	5.09	4.95	4.84
Construction	8.47	8.50	8.39	7.86	7.18	7.12	8.36	8.37	8.27	7.89
Building	8.46	8.49	8.38	8.05	7.28	7.21	8.44	8.42	8.29	8.09
Engineering	8.51	8.55	8.40	7.46	6.97	6.92	8.31	8.32	8.36	7.61
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	5.04	4.96	4.75	4.72	4.69	4.57	4.96	4.84	4.63	4.52
Quebec	4.97	4.95	4.87	4.80	4.39	4.31	4.97	4.96	4.88	4.78
Ontario	5.67	5.60	5.54	5.42	5.01	5.84	5.67	5.61	5.51	5.43
Prairie Region	5.52	5.50	5.45	5.41	4.90	4.81	5.59	5.57	5.48	5.43
British Columbia	7.22	7.14	7.10	7.01	6.38	6.32	7.28	7.16	7.07	6.96

... figures not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data (continued)

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	1976f	1976p	1976p	1975p	1975	1975	1976f	1976p	1976p	1975p
										dollars
Industry Division:										
Forestry	..	284.49	274.47	220.10	264.37	251.78	..	271.23	273.24	237.79
Mining	310.45	308.88	305.46	298.98	273.47	265.63	306.28	305.67	301.33	299.55
Manufacturing	234.04	231.79	228.94	221.72	205.79	205.07	232.64	231.03	227.62	226.66
Durables	249.01	247.61	245.02	235.17	217.39	217.27	248.29	247.56	244.21	243.12
Non-durables	219.40	216.12	212.79	208.09	194.26	193.04	218.07	215.37	211.65	210.81
Construction	326.55	328.10	317.74	280.35	265.78	271.53	322.90	324.65	318.73	310.77
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	253.66	251.21	249.93	243.89	224.25	224.22	253.72	250.76	251.14	243.09
Trade	172.40	169.66	167.64	167.67	153.17	150.67	173.38	171.05	169.06	169.14
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate Service	210.06	207.07	204.20	201.92	188.88	185.67	208.76	205.57	203.51	202.73
Industrial Composite	156.88	155.22	155.18	151.51	138.98	138.17	157.19	155.84	154.13	152.07
	221.88	219.62	216.88	210.05	195.60	194.16	221.73	219.84	217.47	215.11
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	197.08	195.04	192.78	184.95	177.94	173.91	195.61	192.69	190.38	188.38
Newfoundland	217.02	214.53	209.89	197.92	193.31	192.09	216.09	211.69	209.60	204.53
Prince Edward Island	168.96	165.28	166.47	157.77	145.75	143.43
Nova Scotia	186.76	185.76	183.74	177.36	169.93	165.47	185.54	184.74	181.97	181.31
New Brunswick	198.93	196.15	195.42	188.46	180.45	174.97	195.79	191.72	194.04	188.48
Quebec	216.15	215.13	211.20	205.79	190.43	190.24	216.32	215.54	212.20	209.78
Ontario	222.52	220.14	218.25	211.36	196.55	195.93	222.52	220.29	218.29	217.02
Prairie Region	218.36	215.19	211.80	205.48	189.96	187.33	218.25	215.58	213.04	209.71
Manitoba	202.49	198.62	195.36	192.52	178.94	177.20	202.21	200.06	197.03	195.69
Saskatchewan	205.82	203.90	200.17	198.52	181.91	177.38	206.19	204.94	202.09	199.74
Alberta	231.94	228.76	225.44	215.73	199.78	197.33	231.92	228.42	226.16	221.18
British Columbia	252.40	248.85	246.37	236.40	221.49	217.15	252.65	249.73	248.66	242.39
Yukon	..	284.28	291.42	287.89	275.25	279.74
Northwest Territories	..	279.44	274.85	267.41	266.85	268.86
Canada	221.88	219.62	216.88	210.05	195.60	194.16	221.73	219.84	217.47	215.11

Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data

March 1976

Industry Division and Area	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	1976f	1976p	1976p	1975p	1975	1975	1976f	1976p	1976p	1975p
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	..	58.6	55.3	56.5	66.8	73.0	..	68.1	63.0	60.2
Mining	117.1	117.1	116.4	116.2	113.1	115.1	117.1	118.3	118.3	118.3
Manufacturing	126.1	125.4	124.2	123.2	125.5	124.7	127.9	128.1	126.9	126.1
Durables	139.5	139.7	139.3	138.6	139.5	138.1	140.8	141.8	141.3	140.8
Non-durables	115.3	113.8	112.0	110.8	114.1	113.8	117.4	117.0	115.3	114.5
Construction	103.4	100.8	101.7	107.2	101.9	101.0	118.4	117.6	118.9	122.9
Transportation, Communication and										
Other Utilities	124.2	123.7	124.0	125.2	124.8	123.7	127.2	127.2	127.3	126.5
Trade	167.6	167.5	170.4	177.0	163.4	163.6	170.2	172.0	172.8	169.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	178.0	178.0	177.8	177.5	172.2	170.5	178.2	179.1	179.3	178.4
Service	230.7	229.3	228.7	230.5	219.2	220.0	236.6	237.7	239.0	241.6
Industrial Composite	139.5	138.9	138.8	140.2	137.5	137.1	142.9	143.3	143.1	142.6
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	124.8	123.5	124.1	127.1	125.2	124.4	135.6	132.8	132.4	131.7
Newfoundland	125.6	123.5	119.5	124.3	126.1	124.8	138.3	135.2	130.3	130.0
Prince Edward Island	129.0	128.4	130.8	138.7	128.7	128.8	147.5	150.0	148.6	146.2
Nova Scotia	123.4	121.7	124.3	126.5	124.4	123.2	128.6	127.7	130.7	129.3
New Brunswick	124.8	125.1	126.3	128.5	125.3	125.1	134.4	135.3	135.3	133.9
Quebec	126.8	126.3	126.3	127.7	124.5	124.8	130.2	130.2	130.3	130.2
Ontario	142.8	142.3	142.1	143.1	141.0	141.5	145.7	145.7	145.1	144.4
Prairie Region	149.2	148.8	148.9	150.5	142.5	142.4	153.2	153.9	154.3	153.8
Manitoba	124.9	124.7	124.8	127.5	126.9	127.0	128.1	128.8	128.5	129.9
Saskatchewan	137.7	136.7	136.9	140.0	129.2	129.5	143.2	142.7	143.7	153.6
Alberta	174.3	174.0	174.0	174.1	160.9	160.6	178.3	179.7	180.0	178.5
British Columbia	162.7	160.6	160.2	161.6	161.8	158.0	164.9	165.4	166.4	165.0
Yukon	..	177.7	173.9	178.8	149.9	178.6	..	194.0	187.9	188.1
Northwest Territories	..	146.1	145.0	139.2	137.5	146.3	..	162.9	162.5	156.1
Canada	139.5	138.9	138.8	140.2	137.5	137.1	142.9	143.3	143.1	142.6

Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis		Balance of Payments Basis				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1974							
Fourth Quarter	8,729	8,865	8,871	8,683	8,446	8,462	-16
1975							
First Quarter	7,677	8,271	7,538	8,103	8,063	8,461	-398
Second Quarter	8,729	9,262	8,858	9,063	8,246	8,358	-112
Third Quarter	7,701	8,115	7,798	7,932	8,254	8,467	-213
Fourth Quarter	8,752	8,891	8,912	8,803	8,543	8,615	-72
1976							
First Quarter	8,713	9,118	8,557	8,969	9,022	9,221	-199
1975							
November	2,861	2,984	2,983	2,918	2,884	2,887	-3
December	2,911	2,807	2,872	2,874	2,863	2,954	-91
1976							
January	2,836	2,899	2,714	2,846	2,890	3,033	-143
February	2,931	2,974	2,874	2,911	3,141	3,170	-29
March	2,946	3,245	2,969	3,212	2,991	3,018	-27
April	3,043	3,155	3,122	3,100	3,098	3,036	62

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

Farm Input Price Indexes

(1961=100)

	Eastern Canada Q1 1976	Western Canada Q1 1976	Canada Q1 1976
Total Farm Input (p)	221.0	224.5	222.6
Land and farm buildings (p)	237.7	264.3	251.1
Farm machinery and motor vehicles	194.5	190.6	192.0
Hired farm labour	313.7	322.0	316.9
Other materials and services	205.5	220.8	210.5

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Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes	
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	Apr. 1974	Mar. 1974	76/75	75/74
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	37.0	27.0	12.0	8.6	31.6	22.3	209.2	-62.1
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,120.2	878.8	1,036.1	771.8	964.7	747.6	8.1	7.3
Meat and fish	203.5	151.9	148.9	115.3	162.1	130.5	36.7	-8.1
Cereals and preparations	680.5	562.3	639.6	475.4	569.4	444.5	6.3	12.3
Wheat	450.5	380.7	520.3	383.7	463.7	357.8	-13.4	12.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	2,596.7	1,946.6	2,516.0	1,910.6	2,146.4	1,566.8	3.2	17.2
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	584.5	425.2	630.3	455.8	615.5	476.7	-7.2	2.4
Crude petroleum	868.7	671.2	1,112.8	869.7	943.8	638.2	-21.9	17.9
Natural gas	539.6	401.7	308.2	222.7	142.2	106.3	75.0	116.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	3,711.0	2,717.0	3,333.9	2,519.9	6.6	2,403.6	11.3	0.2
Wood and paper	1,843.9	1,326.1	1,781.9	1,316.2	1,700.8	1,242.3	3.4	4.7
Lumber, softwood	452.2	331.5	277.2	188.0	446.5	326.6	63.1	-37.9
Woodpulp and similar pulp	686.3	524.8	670.6	500.2	536.9	388.2	2.3	24.9
Newsprint paper	509.6	324.5	668.9	506.0	517.2	378.2	-23.8	29.3
Textiles	35.1	26.4	32.4	25.6	45.2	32.2	8.2	-28.1
Chemicals	467.2	331.0	367.3	279.5	307.5	214.2	27.1	19.4
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	218.6	149.1	182.0	139.4	133.7	92.0	20.0	36.1
Petroleum and coal products	215.7	179.2	186.1	148.0	203.2	140.1	15.9	-8.4
Iron and steel	250.6	193.3	261.4	202.3	187.9	132.6	-4.1	39.1
Non-ferrous metals	679.6	493.8	515.7	401.4	659.8	484.9	31.7	-21.8
Copper and alloys	169.9	131.0	155.9	125.3	222.8	166.1	8.9	-30.0
Nickel and alloys	121.2	90.0	146.5	105.3	138.1	96.2	-17.2	6.0
End Products, Inedible	3,967.3	2,923.6	3,125.2	2,258.6	2,909.8	2,145.5	26.9	7.4
Industrial machinery	277.9	207.6	306.9	235.6	223.6	168.9	-9.4	37.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	191.2	136.6	194.0	135.2	118.5	81.6	-1.4	63.6
Transportation equipment	2,834.0	2,080.2	2,074.9	1,475.4	2,054.5	1,516.7	36.5	1.0
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,204.7	861.4	950.7	660.9	911.8	696.6	26.7	4.2
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	442.4	330.2	357.9	263.9	287.6	216.8	23.6	24.4
Other motor vehicles	43.9	34.5	36.4	28.5	28.3	20.9	20.8	28.4
Motor vehicle engines and parts	232.7	175.4	125.5	84.5	147.5	107.2	85.4	-14.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	665.4	501.4	436.2	309.3	458.5	335.5	52.5	-4.8
Other equipment and tools	248.2	186.1	242.4	186.0	202.5	152.6	2.4	19.7
Special Transactions, Trade	84.1	38.2	18.8	12.8	13.3	11.2	346.9	41.9
Total	11,520.0	8,531.3	10,041.9	7,482.3	9,392.4	6,897.0	14.7	6.9

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Farm Input Price Index, First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

The Farm Input Price Index for Canada (1961=100) increased 0.8% in the first quarter of 1976, moving to 222.6 from its revised fourth quarter figure of 220.9. Over the previous 12 months, the index rose 6.1% in Canada, 5.2% in the East and 7.1% in the West.

Higher prices for mortgage credit, machinery, petroleum products, repairs, building replacement and hired farm labour were recorded. The increase was reduced by lower prices recorded for seed, small tools and supplies, feed and fertilizer.

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Wholesale Trade, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales by wholesale merchants for March were estimated at \$4,338,029,000, a 19.1% increase from March 1975.

In the consumer goods trades a significant sales change from March 1975 was registered by the tobacco, confectionery and soft drinks component, an increase of 48.6%. In the industrial goods trades there was an increase of 44.8% in the category of other construction materials and supplies including lumber.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$6,776,856,000, an increase of 6.8% over March 1975.

For further details, order the March issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	Feb. 1975	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	10.0	7.7	9.4	3.4	3.2	2.6	194.2	138.5	257.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	241.4	207.3	317.7	264.2	165.9	222.7	-8.6	24.9	42.6
Meat and fish	51.6	54.4	52.2	33.5	37.8	37.1	53.9	44.0	40.7
Cereals and preparations	118.2	93.0	215.5	164.2	70.9	127.4	-28.0	31.1	69.1
Wheat	69.8	72.6	150.2	136.6	53.7	98.9	-48.9	35.1	51.8
Crude Materials, Inedible	650.1	580.2	627.0	605.4	576.6	617.6	7.3	0.6	1.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	159.3	136.6	137.9	174.5	153.9	136.1	-8.7	-11.2	1.2
Crude petroleum	197.5	183.0	196.9	243.1	245.0	296.3	-18.7	-25.2	-33.5
Natural gas	137.9	128.1	136.9	85.6	76.5	83.0	61.1	67.4	64.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	994.0	967.4	901.9	814.0	817.2	836.7	22.1	18.3	7.8
Wood and paper	517.7	490.3	429.9	465.7	436.3	444.2	11.1	12.3	-3.2
Lumber, softwood	120.7	120.0	111.8	89.2	56.5	73.4	35.3	112.3	52.2
Wood pulp and similar pulp	161.5	170.8	182.8	170.4	162.3	167.7	-5.2	5.2	8.9
Newsprint paper	185.0	149.3	90.6	162.9	175.2	162.8	13.5	-14.7	-44.3
Textiles	8.7	8.7	7.9	6.8	9.6	8.0	28.1	-9.6	-0.4
Chemicals	136.2	124.3	110.0	87.8	101.1	82.4	55.1	22.9	33.5
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	69.5	58.4	48.5	42.6	51.1	39.0	63.2	14.2	24.1
Petroleum and coal products	36.6	42.5	63.2	38.1	45.5	44.0	-3.9	-6.4	43.5
Iron and steel	57.3	63.2	70.0	59.2	63.7	59.5	-3.1	-0.8	17.7
Non-ferrous metals	185.7	184.7	160.0	114.3	116.3	145.5	62.5	58.9	9.9
Copper and alloys	38.9	43.6	44.8	30.6	33.0	55.4	26.9	32.1	-19.1
Nickel and alloys	31.2	37.0	29.5	41.1	31.1	33.6	-24.0	19.0	-12.3
End Products, Inedible	1,043.7	1,100.1	997.6	866.6	826.5	760.2	20.4	33.1	31.2
Industrial machinery	70.3	73.6	66.9	71.3	77.9	76.8	-1.4	-5.5	-12.8
Agricultural machinery and tractors	54.6	48.6	57.1	58.8	52.5	45.8	-7.1	-7.3	24.8
Transportation equipment	753.8	796.4	691.3	599.6	550.1	505.7	25.7	44.7	36.7
Passenger automobiles and chassis	343.3	313.6	291.8	289.9	268.7	219.2	18.4	16.7	33.1
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	112.2	120.8	107.8	94.1	78.8	108.2	19.2	53.3	-0.3
Other motor vehicles	9.4	13.6	12.2	7.9	9.6	10.9	19.9	42.0	11.9
Motor vehicle engines and parts	57.3	64.1	64.3	41.0	29.7	27.7	39.8	115.5	131.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	164.0	184.4	178.3	127.0	115.2	100.8	29.1	60.0	76.9
Other equipment and tools	62.1	71.7	64.4	56.4	65.7	60.4	10.0	9.1	6.7
Special Transactions, Trade	45.9	18.5	13.7	6.0	6.5	3.2	669.4	184.6	324.3
Total	2,988.8	2,881.1	2,867.4	2,559.6	2,395.9	2,443.0	16.7	20.2	17.3

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Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1974								
Fourth Quarter	8,320.1	6,793.2	6,326.1	5,648.0	484.1	2,188.0	560.8	485.0
1975								
First Quarter	8,193.2	6,833.5	6,355.1	5,273.3	560.8	2,359.1	607.4	452.6
Second Quarter	8,162.7	6,552.5	5,980.7	5,072.5	440.8	2,649.4	635.7	600.7
Third Quarter	8,157.7	6,464.9	6,068.4	5,480.8	456.5	2,220.4	600.1	555.5
Fourth Quarter	8,404.3	6,819.4	6,276.3	5,753.1	347.6	2,303.6	487.8	527.5
1976								
First Quarter	9,159.0	7,276.8	6,791.7	6,069.6	459.0	2,630.4	621.1	657.7
1975								
November	2,781.7	2,268.7	2,111.5	1,921.8	117.2	742.7	179.9	118.3
December	2,838.6	2,360.1	2,154.9	1,898.4	143.9	796.3	195.6	216.0
1976								
January	3,075.3	2,435.8	2,289.3	1,967.8	127.4	980.1	231.7	235.7
February	3,183.5	2,545.2	2,328.6	2,130.0	160.4	893.1	206.1	258.1
March	2,900.3	2,295.9	2,173.8	1,971.8	171.3	757.2	183.4	163.9
April	3,049.6	2,344.2	2,260.2	2,119.7	149.1	780.8	202.5	245.4
Percent changes								
April/March	5.1	2.1	3.9	7.5	-12.9	3.1	10.4	49.7
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	5.0	1.7	3.1	7.4	23.7	-3.4	-2.5	17.1
Apr. 76/Apr. 75	14.5	11.7	17.9	26.1	7.0	-7.4	1.5	25.6

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	Feb. 1975	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,187.8	2,135.9	2,024.5	1,781.2	1,766.4	1,684.0	22.8	20.9	20.2
United Kingdom	156.3	151.6	150.0	134.6	155.6	176.4	16.1	-2.5	-14.9
Other E.E.C.	172.5	157.1	167.0	171.4	157.7	172.5	0.6	-0.3	-3.1
Japan	194.0	164.1	225.6	143.8	98.1	109.7	34.9	67.2	105.6
Other O.E.C.D.	74.7	72.6	81.9	64.7	79.3	79.7	15.3	-8.5	2.8
Other America	118.0	100.4	96.7	124.3	117.0	140.3	-5.0	-14.1	-31.0
Other Countries	139.7	163.8	184.8	200.7	90.2	145.3	-30.3	81.4	27.1
All Countries	3,043.0	2,945.5	2,930.5	2,620.7	2,464.3	2,507.9	16.1	19.5	16.8
	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	Apr. 1974	Mar. 1974	76/75	75/74	
United States	8,157.8	5,970.0	6,878.4	5,097.2	6,502.1	4,722.1	18.6	5.7	
United Kingdom	578.6	422.3	648.0	513.4	557.0	422.5	-10.7	16.3	
Other E.E.C.	724.6	552.1	706.1	534.7	598.8	448.6	2.6	17.9	
Japan	800.4	606.4	565.1	421.3	708.4	568.1	41.6	-20.2	
Other O.E.C.D.	290.7	216.1	303.1	238.4	352.5	232.3	-4.0	-14.0	
Other America	448.0	330.0	528.8	404.5	412.2	305.9	-15.2	28.2	
Other Countries	754.5	614.8	668.5	467.8	470.6	353.4	12.8	42.0	
All Countries	11,754.6	8,711.7	10,298.0	7,677.3	9,601.6	7,052.9	14.1	7.2	

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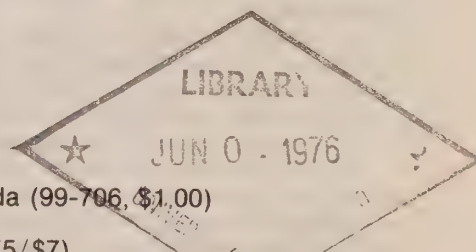
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Real Domestic Product, March 1976 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product increased 0.6% to 120.0 in March from the upward-revised level of 119.3 in February. The adjusted index of industrial production rose 0.8% to 117.9 in March from 117.0 the previous month.

Goods-producing industries advanced 0.9%, with significant increases in manufacturing, utilities, forestry and construction. Within manufacturing, pulp and paper mills recorded the largest output gain, as more mills resumed operations following lengthy strikes. Manufacturers of tobacco products, chemical products and motor vehicle parts and accessories also increased during the month. Output of motor vehicle manufacturers declined slightly. In utilities, both electric power and gas distribution recorded strong increases. Forestry operations increased 17.6%, due mainly to increased export and domestic demand. Increases in both residential and non-residential building activity accounted for a 0.8% gain in construction.

After two months of virtually no growth, service-producing industries advanced 0.3% in March. Among those service industries which recorded advances were communications, retail and wholesale trade and community, business and personal services. All components of the communication sector increased with major increases recorded in telephone systems and the post office. Retail trade recorded its first monthly increase since December, with increases in department stores, motor vehicle dealers, service stations, furniture, television, radio and appliance stores and food stores. Wholesale trade increased mainly on the strength of higher sales by merchants of auto parts, industrial and transportation equipment

and commercial institutional and service equipment. Community, business and personal services industries advanced slightly. Finance, insurance and real estate remained unchanged in March while public administration and defence declined 0.3%.

First Quarter 1976

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product increased 1.7% to 119.4 in the first quarter of 1976 from 117.4 in the fourth quarter of 1975. The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production increased 2.5% in the first quarter.

Goods-producing industries recorded the third consecutive quarterly increase, with increases in manufacturing, mining, utilities, agriculture, forestry, fishing and trapping and construction. Manufacturing output grew for the second consecutive quarter with a 3.6% increase in non-durables and 1.6% in durables. In non-durables manufacturing, pulp and paper mills recorded the first quarterly increase since the second quarter of 1974. Settlements of most of the labour disputes affecting pulp and paper mills were reached commencing in mid-January and on into March, accounting for an output increase of 27% in the quarter. Manufacturers of food and beverage products and chemicals and chemical products also recorded significant increases.

In durables manufacturing, manufacturers of transportation equipment, wood products, furniture and fixtures, metal products and electrical products each recorded advances. Agriculture was relatively unchanged while forestry recovered from its extremely low level in the fourth quarter of 1975. Resumption of

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Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1975		1976		% Change
		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	
Real Domestic Product	100.000	118.7	119.0	119.3	120.0	0.6
Agriculture	3.371	83.5	82.6	82.6	82.3	-0.4
Forestry	.715	85.1	78.0	86.3	101.5	17.6
Fishing and Trapping	.181	94.8	86.5	100.9	101.9	1.0
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	106.3	108.4	107.2	104.6	-2.4
Manufacturing industries	22.862	114.7	115.3	116.5	117.9	1.2
Construction industry	6.990	114.2	116.2	116.1	117.0	0.8
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	127.7	127.7	128.3	128.8	0.5
Transportation	5.874	119.0	120.0	120.4	120.4	—
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	174.5	178.1	177.0	178.1	0.6
Railway transport	1.700	106.8	108.9	113.4	112.9	-0.4
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	139.3	120.2	133.7	140.2	4.9
Urban transit systems	.250	112.2	116.4	113.1	114.7	1.4
Pipeline transport	.489	127.9	124.4	117.8	114.7	-2.6
Storage	.258	99.4	97.8	106.2	81.6	-23.2
Grain elevators	.177	94.4	91.4	103.0	68.7	-33.3
Communication	2.964	147.4	145.4	145.7	149.7	2.7
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	133.9	135.4	134.7	136.5	1.4
Trade	11.367	123.9	122.6	122.5	123.7	1.0
Wholesale trade	4.509	118.7	121.0	122.7	123.7	0.8
Wholesale merchants	3.242	121.0	122.6	125.0	125.3	0.3
Retail trade	6.858	127.4	123.6	122.4	123.7	1.1
Food stores	1.368	112.3	110.6	111.4	112.0	0.5
General merchandise stores	1.562	132.7	130.1	128.4	130.3	1.5
Department stores	.927	146.9	145.0	141.4	145.0	2.5
Other general merchandise stores	.635	111.9	108.4	109.3	108.8	-0.5
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	171.6	147.4	141.5	145.5	2.8
Clothing stores	.462	126.4	127.1	124.8	125.1	0.3
Hardware stores	.098	110.8	107.2	108.5	107.6	-0.8
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	125.5	123.4	116.5	122.2	4.9
Drug stores	.290	127.1	124.3	125.6	125.0	-0.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	124.5	124.8	125.1	125.1	—
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	121.5	121.9	122.0	122.4	0.3
Education and related services	6.509	110.2	111.7	112.0	112.2	0.2
Health and welfare service	5.272	128.0	128.0	128.8	129.0	0.1
Amusement and recreation services	.427	145.4	141.5	139.4	137.5	-1.4
Services to business management	2.311	127.3	128.3	127.5	127.9	0.3
Personal services	1.000	108.2	108.4	109.2	108.5	-0.6
Accommodation and food services	2.799	129.9	128.5	128.7	130.3	1.3
Public administration and defence	7.388	120.2	119.8	119.0	118.7	-0.3
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	115.5	116.3	117.0	117.9	0.8
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	120.0	120.2	120.6	121.3	0.6
Goods-producing industries	40.754	112.0	112.7	113.4	114.5	0.9
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	114.6	115.4	116.2	117.4	1.0
Service-producing industries	59.246	123.4	123.2	123.3	123.7	0.3
Commercial industries	81.341	119.5	119.6	120.1	120.9	0.7
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	121.0	121.2	121.7	122.6	0.7
Non-commercial industries	18.659	115.6	116.0	115.9	115.8	-0.1
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	110.8	111.9	113.1	115.8	2.4
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	118.7	118.7	119.9	120.0	0.1

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1975 4th Qtr.	1976 1st Qtr.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	117.4	119.4	1.7
Agriculture	3.371	82.3	82.5	0.2
Forestry	.715	77.2	88.6	14.8
Fishing and Trapping	.181	79.5	96.5	21.3
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	104.7	106.7	1.9
Manufacturing industries	22.862	113.6	116.6	2.6
Construction industry	6.990	111.9	116.5	4.1
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	124.5	128.3	3.0
Transportation	5.874	118.0	120.3	1.9
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	166.3	177.7	6.9
Railway transport	1.700	108.1	111.7	3.3
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	133.4	131.4	-1.5
Urban transit systems	.250	112.9	114.7	1.6
Pipeline transport	.489	126.7	119.0	-6.1
Storage	.258	102.3	95.2	-6.9
Grain elevators	.177	98.5	87.7	-11.0
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operations in pulp and paper mills and increasing exports partially accounted for a 14.8% increase in forestry. Construction increased 4.1% in the first quarter, a slightly smaller increase than in the two previous quarters. Both residential and non-residential construction expanded during this period.

The service-producing industries grew 1.0% in the first quarter, with increases in all components except public administration and defence. Transportation, storage and communication increased 3.0%, mainly due to a strike recovery in the post office and increased output in air and railway transport. Trade increased 1.5% mainly due to a 4.7% increase in wholesale trade; retail trade declined 0.5%, possibly due to higher sales taxes in Ontario. In retail trade, department stores, motor vehicle dealers and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores each recorded decreases. Finance, insurance and real estate and community, business and personal services increased. Public administration and defence decreased.

For further information, order the March issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Local Government Finance, Preliminary 1974 and Estimates 1975 — Advance Information.

A survey of budgets and other sources of financial information indicates that in 1975 local government revenue rose to \$13.8 billion, up 13.5% over 1974, while expenditures rose 15.8% and exceeded \$15.1 billion.

Pending publication of *Local Government Finance, Preliminary 1974 and Estimates 1975* (68-203, \$1.40), copies of the principal revenue and expenditure tables which will appear in this publication are available upon request from Mr. G.A. Marr (613-995-0713), Chief, Local Government Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Mink Production, 1975 — Advance Information.

Preliminary information on 1975 mink production at fur farms is available for each province. The total number of pelts produced was 964,926, compared with 1,112,704 in 1974.

For further information, contact B.E. Rosien (613-994-5855), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Coal and Coke Statistics, February 1976 — Advance Information.

February coal production increased 20.5% to 2,489,764 tons from 2,066,246 tons a year earlier. Landed imports for February decreased to 12,048 tons from 63,385 tons in 1975. Industrial consumers used 1,990,857 tons of coal (up by 56,699 tons) and 457,388 tons of coke, (down by 6,294 tons).

For further information, order the February 1976 issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, K1A 0T6.

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Cheques Cashed in Clearing Centres, 1975 (61-201, \$1.05)

Building Permits

March 1976 — Advance Information

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial (\$000)	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	38	2	40	1,144	30	310	402	1,886
Prince Edward Island	64	4	68	1,899	268	222	61	2,450
Nova Scotia	334	148	482	12,095	358	2,515	263	15,231
New Brunswick	64	254	318	6,653	728	1,924	1,715	11,020
Quebec	2,889	3,543	6,432	137,607	15,465	74,096	19,397	246,565
Ontario	2,721	5,158	7,879	218,026	32,716	80,130	27,780	358,652
Manitoba	515	538	1,053	23,601	1,929	8,834	2,393	36,757
Saskatchewan	531	115	646	18,883	230	10,349	6,396	35,858
Alberta	2,065	1,792	3,857	118,159	6,935	20,038	13,825	158,957
British Columbia	1,172	932	2,104	57,361	5,560	9,482	4,744	77,147
Yukon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northwest Territories	5	1	6	198	100	152	30	480
Canada — Unadjusted	10,398	12,487	22,885	595,626	64,319	208,052	77,006	945,003
Canada — Adjusted	10,135	11,814	21,947	609,500	93,433	195,516	70,609	969,058
Metropolitan Areas	5,855	8,935	14,790	385,225	49,564	167,152	42,089	644,030
Calgary	536	680	1,216	32,810	2,336	5,536	9,651	50,333
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	105	5	110	3,003	—	332	—	3,335
Edmonton	654	622	1,276	45,641	3,101	6,894	2,415	58,051
Halifax	92	104	196	5,424	135	1,330	149	7,038
Hamilton	127	158	285	8,151	5,609	2,210	1,136	17,106
Hull	96	126	222	5,292	100	9,281	202	14,875
Kitchener	154	80	234	7,122	471	1,842	786	10,221
London	121	65	186	4,961	235	890	1,273	7,359
Montreal	1,490	3,000	4,490	88,322	11,171	49,391	8,128	157,012
Ottawa	99	276	375	14,018	775	11,032	4,000	29,825
Quebec	257	246	503	12,145	424	11,203	564	24,336
Regina	226	10	236	8,112	110	2,157	6,071	16,450
St. Catharines-Niagara	356	126	482	13,814	892	1,562	87	16,355
Saint-John	10	178	188	3,566	625	453	611	5,255
St. John's	3	1	4	174	15	190	400	779
Saskatoon	132	90	222	4,631	4	489	119	5,243
Sudbury	74	12	86	2,756	3,501	310	32	6,599
Thunder Bay	29	—	29	1,025	45	315	449	1,834
Toronto	448	1,986	2,434	75,785	13,970	49,708	2,677	142,140
Vancouver	220	266	486	14,715	2,024	2,905	597	20,241
Victoria	94	285	379	7,238	50	213	326	7,827
Windsor	123	160	283	7,686	2,268	560	114	10,628
Winnipeg	409	459	868	18,834	1,703	8,349	2,302	31,188

*Preliminary figures.**For further information order Building Permits, March 1976 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).***Building Permits, March 1976 — Advance Information.**

The seasonally-adjusted value of building permits in March was \$969 million compared to \$933 million in February. The value in March 1975 was \$691 million.

The value of residential permits continued high in March with \$609 million of construction work authorized. It was the sixth consecutive month of unusually strong activity in this sector.

Both the industrial and governmental sectors decreased in March compared to February. The commercial sector showed a slight increase.

Railway Carloadings, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canada's railways reported loadings totalling 21.6 million tons of revenue freight in April, a gain of 0.5% over April 1975. Traffic received from United States connections (included above) amounted to 2.1 million tons, a 5.5% increase.

April loadings of logs, in terms of tons, were down 49.0% and wheat and other grains, collectively, were 41.9% below the 1975 level. Potash registered a 22.1% tonnage increase and iron ore rose 20.0%. When making year to year comparisons it should be noted that Easter occurred in April 1976 and in March 1975.

Rail loadings for the January — April 1976 period totalled 79.5 million tons of carload and non-carload freight, an increase of 0.2% over 1975. Among commodities showing notable percentage increases during the period were coal (up 20.5%), copper-nickel ores and concentrates (up 10.7%) and iron ore (up 10.0%). Decreases were recorded for sulphur, pulpwood, logs, newsprint paper, manufactured iron and steel products and wheat.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Refined Petroleum Products, January 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary information indicates Canadian refineries produced 54,240,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in January, an increase of 1.6% compared to January 1975.

Preliminary data for the month of January shows that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 55,571,000 barrels, an increase of 5.8% over January 1975.

For further information order the January issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 957.2 million feet board measure of lumber and ties in March compared to 686.8 million in March 1975. January to March production increased to 2,603.4 million feet board measure from 1,834.9 million feet for the same period in 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Department store sales were \$438.8 million in March, an increase of 14.7% from \$382.6 million in March 1975.

Sales rose in 33 of the 40 departments. The largest sales increases were recorded by plumbing, heating and building materials, (49.1%) and hardware, paints and wallpaper (43.3%). All provinces reported increased sales over March 1975, ranging from a high of 28.2% for Prince Edward Island to 2.1% for Newfoundland. Increases for metropolitan areas were: Montreal 3.3%; Toronto 10.2%; Winnipeg 14.3%; and Vancouver 13.4%.

The selling value of stocks held in March was \$1,557.5 million, an increase of 18.1% over March 1975. Inventories increased in 34 departments. The largest were recorded by photographic equipment and supplies, up 54.2%, and women's and misses' dresses, housedresses, aprons and uniforms, up 40.1%. The largest decrease was recorded by furs (-25.8%).

For further information, order the March issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 22, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended May 22 was 289,732 short tons — 262 840 t (metric tonnes) — an increase of 8.9% from the preceding week's total of 266,074 short tons — 241 874 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) — equalling 100 was 158.1 in the current week, 145.2 a week earlier and 151.1 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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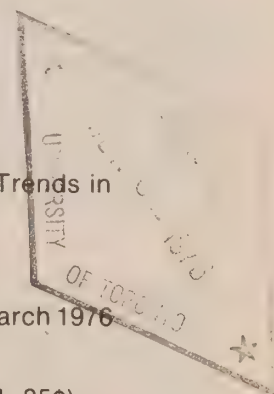
Profile Studies, 1971 Census of Canada, (Occupancy Patterns and Trends in Canadian Housing) (99-724, \$1.00)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, March 1976 (63-007, 30¢/\$3)

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Consumption of Chemicals in Municipal Waterworks, 1972-1973 (46-401, 35¢)

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Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, March 1976 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)**Hardboard (Wood Fibre), April 1976 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)****Abrasives Manufacturers, 1974 (44-202, 70¢)****Preliminary Bulletins:**

1974 Census of Manufacturers (\$4.90 for series): Miscellaneous Vehicle Manufacturers (42-212-P); Truck Body Manufacturers (42-217-P-1); Clay Products Manufacturers (From Domestic Clays) (44-215-P)

Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 4, No. 22, Pack of Processed Cherries, 1975

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 8, No. 19, International Air Charter Statistics, December 1975

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

March 1976

(1971=100)

	Mar. 1976*	Index Feb. 1976*	Mar 1975	Percentage change	
				Mar./76 Feb./76	Mar./76 Mar./75
All industries	158.5	158.1	150.0	0.3	5.7
SIC major groups:					
1. Food and beverage industries	172.9	172.9	164.1	—	5.4
3. Rubber and plastics products industries	137.5	137.8	136.4	-0.2	0.8
4. Leather industries	156.3	155.2	141.8	0.7	10.2
5. Textile industries	140.0	139.9	129.5	—	8.1
6. Knitting mills	123.6	123.1	119.2	0.4	3.7
8. Wood industries	165.4	163.2	141.5	1.3	16.9
9. Furniture and fixture industries	159.7	159.7	150.1	—	6.3
10. Paper and allied industries	180.5	179.0	176.6	0.9	2.2
12. Primary metal industries	163.6	163.6	158.6	—	3.1
13. Metal fabricating industries	159.2	158.9	148.8	0.2	7.0
14. Machinery industries	148.0	147.8	139.7	0.2	6.0
16. Electrical products industries	137.8	138.1	134.5	-0.2	2.4
17. Non-metallic mineral products industries	160.6	157.8	144.2	1.8	11.4
18. Petroleum and coal products industries	200.1	200.1	177.1	—	13.0
19. Chemical and chemical products industries	165.6	164.5	158.1	0.7	4.8
Other major groups(1)	134.4	134.3	129.0	0.1	4.2

* These indexes are preliminary

(1) Included are the following major groups 2 — Tobacco products industries, 7 — Clothing industries, 15 — Transportation equipment industries, 20 — Miscellaneous manufacturing industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), March 1976 — Advance Information.

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.3% to 158.5 in March from 158.1 in February. Among the major industries which contributed to the rise were wood, up 1.3%, paper and allied products, up 0.9%, and non-metallic minerals, up 1.8%.

In the wood index, higher output prices were recorded for sawmills and planing mills and other wood fabricators.

Among paper and allied products, higher prices were registered for newsprint and other paper products such as facial tissues and toilet paper. Higher

prices for cement, ready-mix concrete, lime and glass contributed to the advance in the index for non-metallic minerals.

From March 1975 to March 1976 the total ISPI rose 5.7%.

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	Mar. 1976*	Feb. 1976*	Mar. 1975	Feb. 1975	% Change	
					Mar./76 Feb./76	Mar./76 Mar./75
General wholesale index	505.0	503.9r	477.9	483.9	0.2	5.7
Vegetable products	455.8	457.8r	480.1	501.3	-0.4	-5.1
Animal products	552.3	556.6r	484.4	493.5	-0.8	13.8
Textile products	426.7	427.5	397.8	401.7	-0.2	7.3
Wood products	674.9	665.9r	615.7	613.6	1.4	9.6
Iron products	549.9	546.8r	500.4r	501.8	0.6	9.9
Non-ferrous metals including gold	416.7	414.2r	417.2r	414.4	0.6	-0.1
Non-metallic minerals	424.2	421.2r	382.4	380.4	0.7	10.9
Chemical products	383.0	382.1r	382.9r	382.1	0.2	—
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	514.6	511.3r	543.6r	542.3	0.6	5.7
Raw and partly manufactured goods	474.5	475.8	456.1r	462.9	-0.3	4.0
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	521.4	518.9r	490.0r	495.6	0.5	6.4

* These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), March 1976 — Advance Information.

The general wholesale price index rose 0.2% to 505.0 in March from the revised February index of 503.9. It was 5.7% higher than a year-earlier. Five of the eight major groups increased while three decreased.

The wood products index rose 1.4% in March due mainly to price increases of 4.5% for newsprint and wrapping paper, 2.1% for hemlock, 1.3% for fir and 1.0% for spruce. The non-metallic mineral products index increased 0.7%, reflecting increases of 9.3% in tumblers and 7.3% in clay and allied products. A 14.3% rise in scrap iron and steel was responsible for moving the iron products group index up 0.6%. The non-ferrous metals products index also advanced 0.6% due mainly to increases of 2.5% in silver, 1.9% in gold and 1.7% in copper. An increase of 0.2% was recorded in the chemical products group.

Decreases occurred in the animal products group, where cured meats were down 4.5%, fresh meats down 4.0% and livestock down 2.1%. The vegetable products group index declined 0.4% with decreases in tobacco of 5.3%, potatoes 4.9%, vegetable oil products 2.3% and grains 1.8%. A decrease of 0.2% was recorded in the textile products group.

Public Warehousing, 1974 — Advance Information.

Total operating revenue reported by public warehousing firms in Canada for 1974 was \$110.9 million, with net profit after income tax of \$7.9 million. Storage capacity reported totalled 26 million square feet with a volume of 409 million cubic feet.

For further information, order the 1974 issue of *Public Warehousing* (63-212, 70¢), or contact Mr. R. Staveley, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sales Financing, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales finance companies purchased \$220.1 million of retail finance paper in March, an increase of 18.1% compared with the \$186.4 million purchased in March 1975. The March purchases comprised \$61.2 million for passenger cars, \$27.3 million for other consumer goods, \$94.0 million for commercial vehicles and \$37.8 million for other commercial and industrial goods. Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the fourth quarter of 1975 amounted to \$1,911.1 million, an increase of 8.4% over \$1,762.6 million financed during the corresponding quarter in the previous year.

For further information, order the March issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Dairy Review, April 1976 — Advance Information.

An estimated 1,374,517,000 pounds of milk was produced for all purposes in March 1976, 17.1% more than March 1975.

For further information order the April issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

University Enrolment

Preliminary information on enrolments in Canadian universities for the fall of 1974 is now available. For further information, contact Majella Quinn or Louise Desramaux (613-995-9799 or 995-9790), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending May 14

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,901,168	2,118,346	5,019,514
Short tons, 1975r	2,427,936	2,243,426	4,671,362
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 631 895	1 921 731	4 553 626
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 202 586	2 035 202	4 237 788
% change	19.5	-5.6	7.5
Cars, 1976	46,599	33,523	80,122
Cars, 1975r	41,707	35,827	77,534
% change	11.7	-6.4	3.3
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	148,062	63,822	211,884
Short tons, 1975r	145,321	57,177	202,498
Metric tonnes, 1976	134 320	57 898	192 218
Metric tonnes, 1975	131 833	51 870	183 703
% change	1.9	11.6	4.6
Cars, 1976	4,744	2,597	7,341
Cars, 1975r	4,829	2,460	7,289
% change	-1.8	5.6	0.7
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	45,145,306	35,865,050	81,010,356**
Short tons, 1975r	43,550,963	36,866,602	80,417,565
Metric tonnes, 1976	40 955 133	32 536 226	73 491 359
Metric tonnes, 1975	39 508 769	33 444 819	72 953 588
% change	3.7	-2.7	0.7
Cars, 1976	763,156	559,523	1,322,679**
Cars, 1975r	752,802	589,833	1,342,635
% change	1.4	-5.1	-1.5
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	2,466,948	926,442	3,393,390**
Short tons, 1975r	2,521,540	924,320	3,445,860
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 237 978	840 454	3 078 432
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 287 503	838 529	3 126 032
% change	-2.2	0.2	-1.5
Cars, 1976	82,379	39,256	121,635**
Cars, 1975r	86,518	43,569	130,087
% change	-4.8	-9.9	-6.5

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

rRevised figures.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 14, 1976 —
Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The volume of revenue freight loaded by rail in the seven days ended May 14 was up 7.5% from a year ago to 5.0 million short tons (4.6 million metric tonnes). The number of cars loaded in the same period increased 3.3% to 80,122. Goods loaded east of the Lakehead were up 19.5% while western tonnage declined 5.6%.

Piggyback traffic during the period rose 4.6% to 211,884 short tons (192 218 metric tonnes), with the East recording an increase of 1.9% and the West a gain of 11.6%.

January 1 to May 14 rail freight loadings, in terms of tons, were 0.7% ahead of the 1975 pace. Piggyback shipments were 1.5% below the 1975 level.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

University Salaries

The last edition for 1974-75 and the second edition for 1975-76 of the bulletin *Salaries of Full-time Teaching Staff in Canadian Universities* are now available. For further information, contact Janet Ableson or Louise Desramaux (613-995-9790 or 995-9799), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8: No. 23, Aircraft Movement Statistics, March 1976; No. 24, Civil Aviation, January 1976



Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Three-Months Ended April 30, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary estimates for the three months ended April 30 showed a decrease in the average number of vacant jobs from the comparable period a year earlier. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs decreased to 48,100 from 63,200.

Vacancies for full-time jobs decreased 23% to 44,200. The number of longer-term vacancies — jobs unfilled for more than four weeks — decreased 41% to 14,300.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period six were vacant, a decrease of two vacancies per 1,000 jobs from last year.

The highest vacancy rates were in the Prairie provinces — Alberta 10 per 1,000, Saskatchewan and Manitoba nine per 1,000. The lowest vacancy rate, three per 1,000, was in Newfoundland.

Compared with the three-month period ended April 30, 1975, vacancy rates decreased in all provinces. The largest rate decreases were in Manitoba, down to nine from 15, and in New Brunswick, down to five from 11 per 1,000, followed by Newfoundland, down to three from seven per 1,000.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Vacancy Rates for Part- and Full-time Jobs Canada, Regions and Provinces

	Three-months ended April 30, 1976p	Three-months ended April 30, 1975
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)	
Canada	6	8
Atlantic Region	4	8
Newfoundland	3	7
Nova Scotia	4	7
New Brunswick	5	11
Quebec Region	6	7
Ontario Region	5	8
Prairie Region	10	14
Manitoba	9	15
Saskatchewan	9	12
Alberta	10	13
Pacific Region	4	5

p Preliminary estimates.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 6,015 short tons — 5 457 t (metric tonnes) — or 12,647,148 square feet — 1 174 958m² (square metres) — of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in April compared to 4,252 short tons — 3 857 t (metric tonnes) — or 9,250,137 square feet — 859 366m² (square metres) — in April 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile — Service Bulletin* (47-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Merchandising Inventories, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Inventories held by wholesale merchants increased 4.8% in March to reach \$6,776.9 million, a level 6.8% higher than March 1975. Department store stocks rose 1.2% during the month to \$1,557.5 million — a level 18.1% higher than at March 31 last year. Stocks of retail chain stores rose 5.2%, reaching \$2,193.6 million, 13.1% more than at the same month end last year. Percentage changes in the inventory levels of selected groups of independent retail stores are available for the final quarter of 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Merchandising Inventories* (63-014, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Residential Building Construction Input Price IndexesApril 1976 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	% Change	
				Apr./76 Mar./76	Apr./76 Apr./75
Canada, Total	156.9	155.1	138.4	1.2	13.4
Materials	152.8	150.7	135.5	1.4	12.8
Labour	164.1	162.9	143.6	0.8	14.3
Atlantic Provinces, Total	165.1	163.4	147.7	1.0	11.8
Materials	154.5	153.3	139.9	0.8	10.4
Labour	183.3	180.9	161.0	1.3	13.9
Quebec, Total	160.2	157.6	140.4	1.6	14.1
Materials	158.9	155.0	138.0	2.5	15.1
Labour	162.6	162.6	145.1	—	12.1
Ontario, Total	152.2	151.1	135.9	0.7	12.0
Materials	150.1	148.3	134.3	1.2	11.8
Labour	155.8	155.8	138.6	—	12.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	164.4	161.2	140.9	2.0	16.7
Materials	153.3	151.5	136.0	1.2	12.7
Labour	186.0	180.1	150.4	3.3	23.7
British Columbia, Total	154.8	153.3	136.3	1.0	13.6
Materials	150.9	149.7	132.8	0.8	13.6
Labour	161.6	159.6	142.4	1.2	13.5

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Oils and Fats — Manufacturer's Sales

February 1976 — Advance Information

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Retail Packages:						
1976	22,270	10 101	5,338	2 421	7,193	3 263
1975	20,936	9 496	3,148	1 428	6,185	2 806
Commercial Packages:						
1976	838	380	11,525	5 228	1,171	531
1975	1,316	597	12,048	5 465	1,421	644
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers:						
1976	12,810	5 811	3,114	1 413	5,577	2 530
1975	11,671	5 294	573	260	3,262	1 480
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers:						
1976	—	—	12,091	5 484	4,240	1 923
1975	—	—	17,198	7 801	3,153	1 430

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

For further information, order the February issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, 1974 (66-201, \$1.40)
- Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, March 1976 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Diesel and Natural Gas Engine Sales Survey, 1974 (63-221, 70¢)

V.O.N. Patient Information System, 1975 — Preliminary Data.

A new patient information system, undertaken jointly by the Victorian Order of Nurses and Statistics Canada, was put into operation in 1975 and preliminary statistics are now available.

The order made 849,964 visits to patients during the year and 65,290 patients were separated from treatment. Information was also collected on such factors as patient age, sex, marital status, duration of service, diagnosis and referral source.

For further information, contact Mrs. B.L. Archibald (613-995-0982), Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian egg production increased 0.9% to 36.7 million dozen in April from 36.3r million a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 4.3% to 23.1 million from 24.2r million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 5.5% to 1,904 from 1,805. Farm price of eggs sold for market was up 18.0% to 63.7¢ a dozen from 54.0¢.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact B.E. Rosien (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 29, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended May 29 was 283,300 short tons — 257 005 t (metric tonnes) — a decrease of 2.2% from the preceding week's total of 289,732 short tons — 262 840 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 271,175 tons — 246 006 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) — equalling 100 was 154.6 in the current week, 158.1 a week earlier and 147.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935=100), March 1976 — Correction.

Three errors occurred in the table for this index published in the *Daily Friday*, May 28, 1976. The index number for March 1976 opposite iron products and non-ferrous metals should read 574.6. On the same line, under February 1976, the number should read 571.3r. Under March 1975, the animal products index number should read 485.4.

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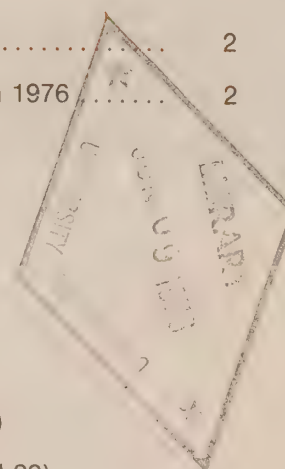
Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, March 1976 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)

Railway Freight Traffic, Fourth Quarter 1975 (52-002, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Service Bulletins:

Water Transport (54-003, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 6, No. 5, Cargo Loaded and Unloaded in Coastwise Shipping by Vessels of Foreign Registries, January-March 1976 and 1975

Miscellaneous Industries (47-003, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 5, No. 1, Papermakers and Other Felts, Quarter Ended March 31, 1976



Railway Operating Statistics, December 1975 — Advance Information.

Six major railways in Canada reported operating revenues totalling \$109.4 million in December 1975, a decrease of 61.6% from the same 1974 month. Operating expenses were down 13.3% to \$212.7 million and a net deficit of \$103.3 million was recorded as opposed to a net income of \$39.3 million a year earlier. The sharp decline in December 1975 revenues was mainly due to adjustments by Canadian National as a result of changing from a cash basis to an accrual basis in accounting for government payments. Ton-miles during the month under review were down 3.9% to 9,788.2 million and passenger-miles were 2.2% lower at 141.5 million.

During all 1975, operating revenues for the six lines rose 5.7% to \$2,618.1 million; operating expenses were up 11.4% to \$2,667.8 million; and a net deficit of \$49.6 million was registered in contrast to a net income of \$82.2 million in 1974.

Cumulative freight ton-miles were 1.9% below the 1974 level and passenger-miles dropped 13.1%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9376), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Flush Type Doors (Wood), First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

Shipments of wooden flush type doors by Canadian manufacturers increased to 1,186,158 units in the first quarter of 1976 from 967,513 units in 1975.

For further information, order the March issue of *Quarterly Shipments of Flush Type Doors (Wood) by Canadian Manufacturers* (35-004, 35¢/\$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 6, Telegraphic Crop Report, Canada — Available June 3, 1976 at 3 p.m. E.S.T. (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

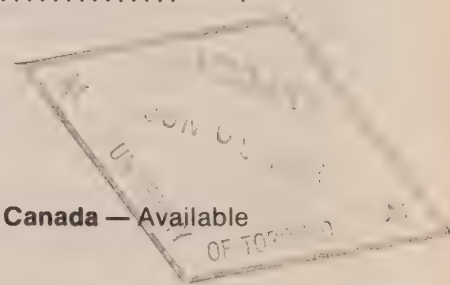
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Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, January-March 1976 (66-001, \$1.75/\$7)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, March 1976 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

Primary Iron and Steel, February 1976 (41-001, 40¢ /\$4)
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Power Laundries, Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Plants, 1974 (63-205, 70¢)

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, May 1976 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Feldspar and Quartz Mines, 1974 (26-208, 70¢)

Grain Milling Statistics, March 1976 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

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Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Pulp and Paper Mills (36-204-p); Boiler and Plate Works (41-223-p)

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Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 6, Railway Operating Statistics, March 1976

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, No. 17, Oil Filters and Cartridges, April 1976

Metals and Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 4, No. 5, Consumption of Cobalt, 1975

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), April 1976 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and traveling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Revenue vehicle miles run in a revenue service includes miles run empty which were necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the chief (613-996-9276), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Urban Transit, April 1976 — Advance Information.

In April 37 urban transit systems collected 100,318,480 initial passenger fares. Their vehicles travelled 28,051,720 vehicle miles and operating revenues amounted to 32,725,551.

For further information, order the April issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the chief (613-996-9276), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Gas Utilities, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian consumers purchased 146.1 billion cubic feet of natural gas in March, up 2.8% from 142.3 billion cubic feet a year earlier. Exports increased to 83.9 billion cubic feet from 83.4 billion. Cumulative sales for 1976 totalled 460.9 billion cubic feet, an increase of 4.9% from 439.2 billion cubic feet in 1975.

For further information order the March issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact R.C. Peacock (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, October 1975 — Advance Information.

Crude petroleum production for October amounted to 1,605,000 B/D, down 8.5% from 1,754,000 B/D in October 1974.

Natural gas production for the same period averaged 9,340,000 Mcf./D. an increase of 1.7% from 9,186,000 Mcf./D.

For further information, order the October issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asbestos, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Producer shipments of asbestos increased to 134,598 tons in April, up from 75,358 tons in April 1975. This brought year-to-date shipments to 546,318 tons from 394,009 in the 1975 period.

For further information, order the April issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending May 21

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,772,651	1,999,134	4,771,785
Short tons, 1975	2,302,015	2,016,459	4,318,474
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 515 307	1 813 584	4 328 891
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 088 353	1 829 301	3 917 654
% change	20.4	-0.9	10.5
Cars, 1976	44,315	31,663	75,978
Cars, 1975	37,778	31,516	69,294
% change	17.3	0.5	9.6
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	137,791	64,487	202,278
Short tons, 1975	128,367	50,983	179,350
Metric tonnes, 1976	125 002	58 502	183 504
Metric tonnes, 1975	116 453	46 251	162 704
% change	7.3	26.5	12.8
Cars, 1976	4,537	2,543	7,080
Cars, 1975	4,291	2,152	6,443
% change	5.7	18.2	9.9
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	47,909,307	37,964,184	85,873,491**
Short tons, 1975	45,852,978	38,883,061	84,736,039
Metric tonnes, 1976	43 462 592	34 440 528	77 903 120
Metric tonnes, 1975	41 597 122	35 274 120	76 871 242
% change	4.5	2.4	1.3
Cars, 1976	807,363	591,186	1,398,549**
Cars, 1975	790,580	621,349	1,411,929
% change	2.1	-4.9	-0.9
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	2,604,739	990,929	3,595,668
Short tons, 1975	2,649,907	975,303	3,625,210
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 362 979	898 956	3 261 935
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 403 955	884 780	3 288 735
% change	-1.7	1.6	-0.8
Cars, 1976	86,916	41,799	128,715
Cars, 1975	90,809	45,721	136,530
% change	-4.3	-8.6	-5.7

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

rRevised figures.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 21, 1976 —
Published only in Statistics Canada Daily.

The volume of revenue freight loaded by rail in the seven days ended May 21 was up 10.5% from a year ago to 4.8 million short tons (4.3 million metric tonnes). The number of cars loaded in the same period increased 9.6% to 75,978. Goods loaded east of Lakehead were up 20.4% while western tonnage declined 0.9%.

Piggyback traffic during the period rose 12.8% to 202,278 short tons (183 504 metric tonnes), with the East recording an increase of 7.3% and the West a gain of 26.5%.

Year-to-date revenue freight tons loaded were 1.3% ahead of 1975. Piggyback shipments were 0.8% below 1975.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Iron Ore, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian mines shipped 5,254,722 tons of iron ore in April compared to 4,419,557 tons a year earlier. This brought 1976 output to 10,288,410 tons compared to 11,153,666 tons in 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

April 1976

	Year-to-date 1975	Year-to-date 1976	February	March	April
Carriers Reporting*	18		19	18	18
Revenue Earned:					
Intercity & Rural Services**	24,352,313	35,444,052	8,735,937	9,078,307	9,716,741
Urban-Suburban Services	86,159	96,043	22,971	28,234	21,687
Other Services (e.g. charter)	3,902,303	4,800,162	1,257,828	1,585,271	1,223,506
Fare Passengers Carried:					
Intercity & Rural Services**	7,846,651	10,647,462	2,564,734	2,802,071	2,827,658
Urban-Suburban Services	250,979	239,459	57,914	70,588	51,882
Other Services (e.g. charter)	947,320	417,076	117,244	134,790	118,644
Vehicle Miles:					
Intercity & Rural Services**	26,420,948	36,590,795	8,902,123	9,356,786	9,717,606
Urban-Suburban Services	137,197	133,302	30,938	34,608	32,999
Other Services (e.g. charter)	3,514,693	4,070,057	1,065,581	1,249,968	10,765,412
Fuel Consumed:					
Diesel Oil	4,293,406	5,980,833	1,467,378	1,525,014	1,548,600
Gasoline	5,904	7,339	1,880	1,775	1,743

* Data for one passenger bus carrier were not available at the time of this release.

** Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,568,347,000 square feet of corrugated boxes and wrappers in April, an increase of 27.6% from 1,228,731,000 square feet produced in April 1975.

January to April shipments totalled 5,778,838,000 square feet.

For further information, order the April issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.80), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Price Index on CANSIM

The Consumer Price Index for Canada, published monthly, will be available from CANSIM, the Statistics Canada computer data bank, at 7:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, June 10, 1976. This procedure will be continued for future release dates of this index.

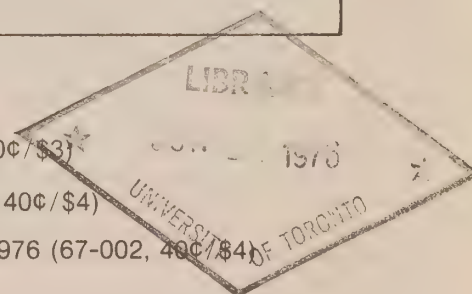
For further information on CANSIM, contact Gina Piloizzi (613-995-7406), CANSIM staff, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

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Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, May 1976 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Refined Petroleum Products, November 1975 (45-004, 40¢/\$4)

Security Transactions with Non-residents, February 1976 (67-002, 40¢/\$4)



Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

April 1976 — Advance Information
(1961=100)

	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	% Change	
				Apr./76 Mar./76	Apr./76 Apr./75
Total Index	271.0	268.3	242.2	1.0	11.8
Materials	208.9	206.2	193.2	1.3	8.1
Steel and Metal Work	221.1	220.6	208.8	0.2	5.9
Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment	189.5	189.0	180.5	0.2	5.0
Electrical Equipment	152.3	150.3	152.8	1.4	-0.3
Concrete Products	233.3	221.5	203.5	5.4	14.6
Lumber and Lumber Products	261.6	254.3	226.8	2.9	15.3
Other	204.8	203.2	187.2	0.8	9.4
Labour	347.1	344.4	302.8	0.8	14.6

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

New Motor Vehicle Sales, April 1976 — Advance Information.

New motor vehicles sold in April reached 135,129 units, up 10.1% from a year earlier. This included 86,632 passenger cars (up 12.5%) and 32,487 commercial vehicles (up 10.3%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 14,788 passenger cars (up 1.0%) and 1,222 commercial vehicles (down 28.3%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 21.4% to \$795.8 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$478.7 million (up 25%) and commercial vehicles for \$240.7 million (up 17.3%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 16.4% to \$70.6 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 12.8% to \$5.8 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 387 units of coaches and buses valued at \$9.3 million.

Seasonally adjusted April sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 14.3% from March to 70,736 units and those of passenger cars from overseas increased 1.1% to 11,814 units. Similarly adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 1.9% to 28,264 units.

For the first four months, total sales reached 402,371 units, (389,365 in 1975) with an accumulated value of \$2,397.5 million. This represented an increase of 16.7% in value over sales for the corresponding period the previous year.

For further information, order the April issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilkecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, April 1976.

In April, packers, dealers and tanners held 275,573 cattle hides, down from 304,420 a year earlier, and 109,003 calf and kip skins up from 107,850. Cattle hide receipts decreased to 126,760 from 166,893 and wettings increased to 214,412 from 190,071.

For further information, order the April 1976 issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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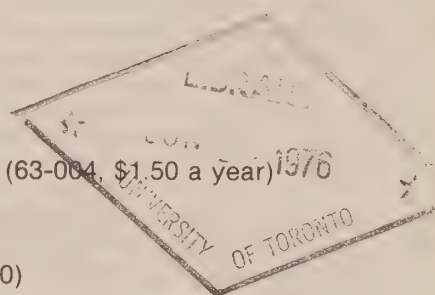
Mineral Wool, April 1976 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Aircraft and Aircraft Parts Manufacturers (42-203-p); Glass Products Manufacturers (44-207-p-2); Clay Products Manufacturers (From Imported Clays) (44-216-p)



Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

April 1976

(1971=100)

	Apr. 1976*	Index Mar. 1976*	Apr. 1975	Percentage change Apr./76 Mar./76	
All industries	159.4	158.9	151.4	0.3	5.3
SIC major groups:					
1. Food and beverage industries	173.0	173.0	166.8	—	3.7
3. Rubber and plastics products industries	138.0	137.5	136.9	0.3	0.8
4. Leather industries	157.9	156.3	143.6	1.0	10.0
5. Textile industries	141.1	140.6	129.4	0.4	9.1
6. Knitting mills	123.5	123.5	118.7	—	4.1
8. Wood industries	166.5	166.3	148.6	0.1	12.0
9. Furniture and fixture industries	160.0	159.8	150.8	0.2	6.1
10. Paper and allied industries	181.3	180.6	177.3	0.4	2.3
12. Primary metal industries	165.4	164.1	159.2	0.8	3.9
13. Metal fabricating industries	160.3	159.5	150.2	0.5	6.7
14. Machinery industries	148.9	148.5	140.3	0.2	6.1
16. Electrical products industries	138.7	138.1	135.4	0.5	2.4
17. Non-metallic mineral products industries	162.6	161.7	145.5	0.6	11.8
18. Petroleum and coal products industries	200.6	200.6	178.4	—	12.5
19. Chemical and chemical products industries	166.4	165.5	158.7	0.5	4.9
Other major groups(1)	135.7	135.4	129.5	0.2	4.8

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Included are the following major groups 2 — Tobacco products industries, 7 — Clothing industries, 15 — Transportation equipment industries, 20 — Miscellaneous manufacturing industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing
(1971=100), April 1976.

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.3% to 159.4 in April from its revised March level of 158.9. Over three-fifths of this increase was due to advances in the indexes for primary metals, metal fabricating, chemicals and paper products.

Higher prices for steel and several non-ferrous metals contributed to a 0.8% rise in the primary metals index. Metal fabricating moved up 0.5%, mainly reflecting increases for metal stamping and pressing.

The chemicals group also rose 0.5% with increases recorded for industrial chemicals, paints, varnishes and toilet preparations.

Increased prices for paperboard and corrugated boxes contributed to a 0.4% rise in the paper and allied group.

Between April 1975 and April 1976, the total index rose 5.3%.

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators in April were 38,577 compared to 35,437 a year earlier and month-end stocks totalled 124,592 units, up from 120,506. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers decreased to 34,066 from 41,700, and month-end stocks increased to 61,440 from 13,558.

For further information, order the April issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mrs. I. Groom (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Retail Chain Stores, 1974 — Advance Information.

Annual sales by chain organizations in Canada, unadjusted for price changes, reached a record level of \$13,672.0 million in 1974, an increase of 20.6% over the 1973 figure of \$11,338.2 million. Results of the annual survey of chain organizations indicate that the number of such organizations throughout the country rose to 874 and the maximum number of chain outlets in operation increased 1,140 to a record total of 19,695.

The report *Retail Chain Stores, 1974* (63-210, \$1.05) will be published later this year. But detailed information on sales by chain organizations, including data by various kinds of business for the provinces and selected cities, are now available and may be obtained by contacting I.E. Altman (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Salt, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine decreased to 465,345 tons in April from 561,563 tons a year earlier. This brought 1976 output to 2,388,278 short tons from 2,459,034 short tons in 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

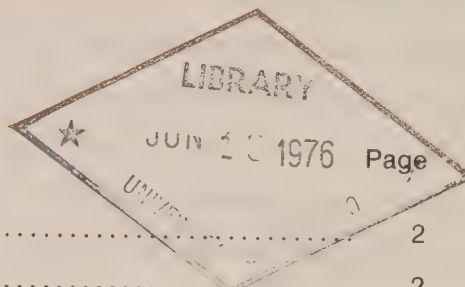
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Homicide in Canada

The Justice Statistics Division today is releasing a study of homicide in Canada since 1961. More than a year in preparation, *Homicide in Canada: A Statistical Synopsis*, presents a detailed factual picture of murder and manslaughter in this country and how our institutions respond to such occurrences.

The study was undertaken to address such issues as what kinds of people commit homicide, under what circumstances, upon what kinds of victims; it also reveals how the criminal justice system deals with persons suspected of committing homicide. In addition to statistical information — much of it not previously published in this form — the study also provides a review of the historical development of homicide law and a summary of current Canadian law as the context within which the statistics should be viewed.

For further information, contact Paul Reed, Assistant Director (Research), Justice Statistics Division, R.H. Coats Building, Tunney's Pasture, Ottawa, Tel. 995-0746.

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Homicide in Canada, A Statistical Synopsis (85-505E, \$2.80)

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Consumer Price Movements, May 1976 (62-001, 30¢/\$3) — Available at 10 a.m., June 10, 1976

Shipping Statistics, January 1976 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Railway Carloadings, April 1976 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

Air Passenger Origin and Destination, Domestic Report, 1975 (51-204, \$3.50)

Confectionery Manufacturers, 1974 (32-213, 70¢)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, May 1, 1976 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

The Wheat Review, April 1976 (22-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, April 1976 (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Battery Manufacturers, 1974 (43-208, 70¢)

Breweries, March 1976 (32-019, 15¢/\$1.50)

Iron Ore, April 1976 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asbestos, April 1976 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletin:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Summary Statistics (31-203-p)

Service Bulletins:

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 6, No. 7, Railway Carloadings, April 1976; Vol. 6, No. 8, Railway Operating Statistics, December 1975

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Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 a year), Vol. 5, April 1976: No. 18, Builders and Shelf Hardware; No. 19, Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools; No. 20, Domestic and Farm Water Systems; No. 21, Sanitaryware

The Labour Force, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Levels of estimated employment and unemployment both decreased on a seasonally-adjusted basis in May, giving an adjusted unemployment rate of 7.1% compared to 7.4% in April.

Employment, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at 9,528,000 in May, down 15,000 from April. The drop was concentrated among persons age 15 to 24. Unemployment decreased by 30,000 to 731,000 in May with the decrease concentrated among persons 25 and over.

Without seasonal adjustment, the labour force in May was estimated at 9,576,000 with 8,868,000 employed and 708,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 6.9%. In April, the labour force was estimated at 10,078,000 with 9,309,000 employed and 769,000 unemployed for a rate of 7.6%. In May 1975, the labour force was estimated at 9,403,000 with 8,715,000 employed and 688,000 unemployed for a rate of 6.8%.

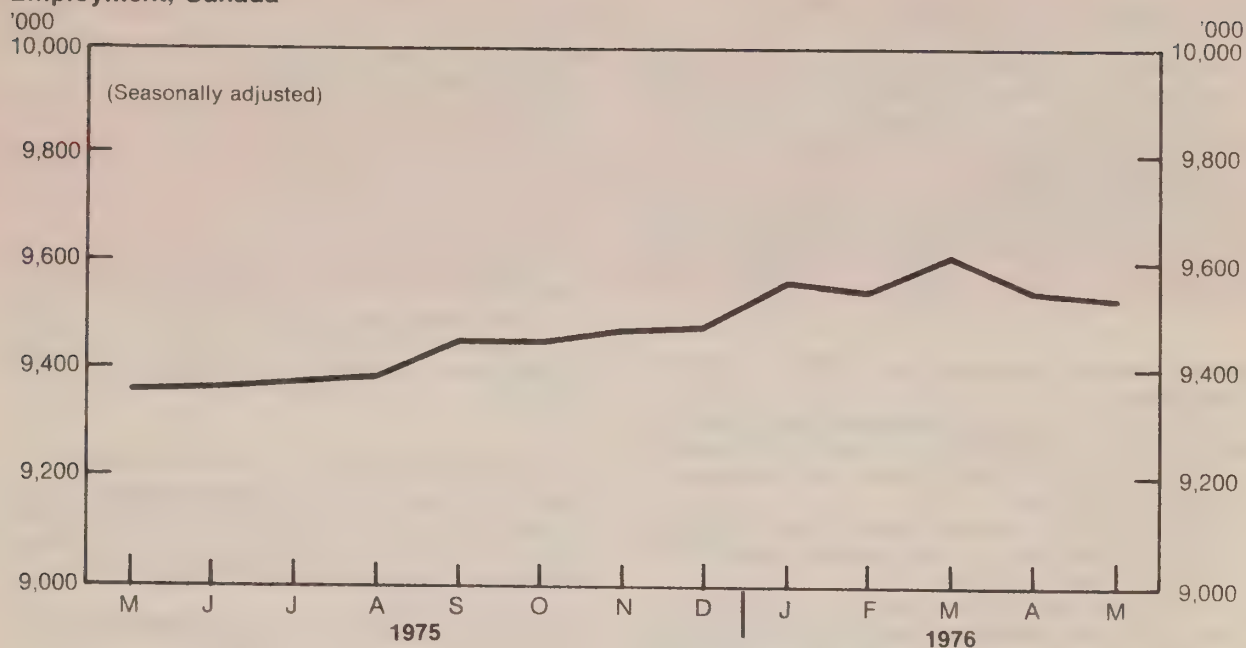
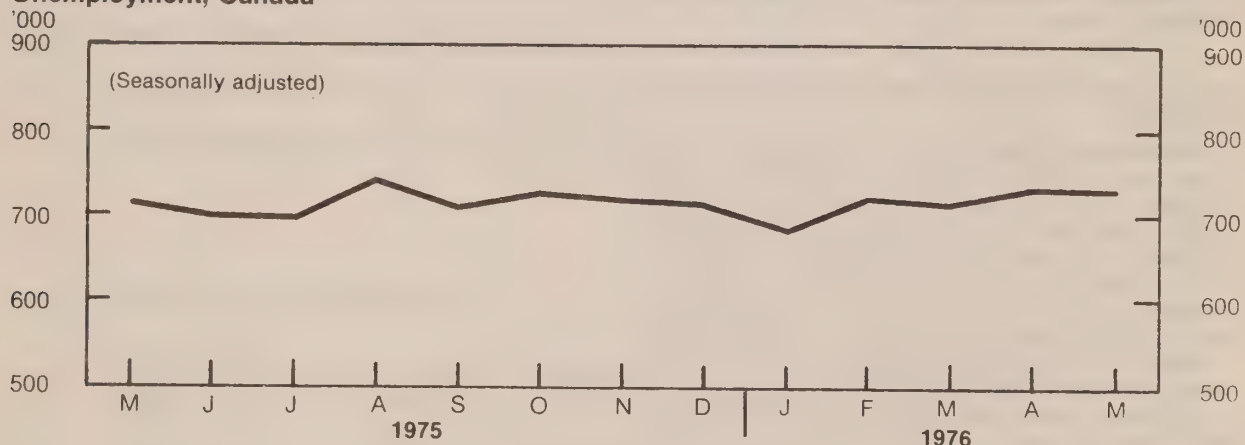
Adjusted unemployment rates for the provinces, with April rates in brackets: Newfoundland 12.6% (14.0%); Prince Edward Island 12.5% (8.3%); Nova Scotia 9.7% (9.1%); New Brunswick 10.9% (11.2%); Quebec 7.9% (8.3%); Ontario 6.4% (6.5%); Manitoba 4.3% (4.5%); Saskatchewan 4.5% (4.0%); Alberta 4.5% (4.1%); British Columbia 9.8% (9.7%).

For further information, order the May issue of *The Labour Force* (77-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

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Farm Cash Receipts, January-April 1976 — (21-001, 30¢/\$3).

Preliminary estimates are that during the January-April period farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$3,531.5 million compared to \$3,648.3 million in the same period of 1975. These estimates include (continued)

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cash receipts from the sale of farm products, Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous year's grain crops, cash advances on farm-stored grains in western Canada and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction was made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the April issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact E.S. Boyko (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-April
(millions of dollars)

	1976	1975
Prince Edward Island	42.9	20.5
Nova Scotia	41.5	34.0
New Brunswick	41.2	26.2
Quebec	416.2	330.8
Ontario	832.4	760.9
Manitoba	275.8	338.5
Saskatchewan	1,046.1	1,288.9
Alberta	724.2	737.3
British Columbia	111.2	111.2
Canada	3,531.5	3,648.3

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January to April 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to April were valued at \$354.7 million, an increase of 47.1% above the 1975 figure of \$241.2 million. Repair parts for the same period had a value of \$43.2 million.

For further information, order the April issue of *Farm Implements and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Y. Lebel (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Motor Vehicle Shipments, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of passenger cars totalled 109,563 units in April compared to 102,225 units in April 1975. January-to-April production was 416,900 units compared to 340,587 units in 1975.

All commercial vehicles totalled 47,823 units compared to 34,535. Year-to-date production was 176,135 units compared to 120,824.

For further information, order the April issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 5, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended June 5 was 274,674 short tons — 249 180 t (metric tonnes) — a decrease of 3.0% from the preceding week's total of 283,300 short tons — 257 005 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 292,450 tons — 265 306 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) — equalling 100 was 149.9 in the current week, 154.6 a week earlier and 159.6 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Mineral Production, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of primary minerals for April and 1976 to date, with comparable 1975 figures in brackets:

- Primary copper: 63,292 tons; 261,379 tons (75,402; 255,776).
- Primary nickel: 23,521 tons; 92,645 tons (25,517; 101,310).
- Gold: 137,551 troy ounces; 563,335 troy ounces (138,694; 528,717).

For further information, order the April issues of *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50) and *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sugar Sales, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 81 655 818 kilograms (180,020,018 lbs.) of all types of sugar in May, 78 728 898 kilograms (173,567,302 lbs.) in domestic sales and 2 926 920 kilograms (6,452,716 lbs.) in export sales.

For further information, order the May issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50).

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Retail Trade, March 1976 (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Building Permits, March 1976 (64-001, 70¢/\$7)

Asphalt Roofing, April 1976 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, March 1976 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

Quarterly Shipments of Flush Type Doors (Wood) by Canadian Manufacturers, Quarter Ended March 31, 1976 (35-004, 35¢/\$1.40)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, March 1976 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

The Dairy Review, March 1976 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)
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Rigid Insulating Board (Wood Fibre and Mineral Products), April 1976 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Tuberculosis Statistics, Morbidity and Mortality Facilities and Services, 1974 (82-212, \$2.10)

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Education, Science and Culture Division (81-001, N/C), Vol. 5, No. 5, Foreign-Born University Graduates in Canada, September 1973

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Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1976		1975	May 1976 from		May 1976 from	
		May	Apr.	May.	Apr. 1976	May 1975	Apr. 1976	May 1975
All items	100	148.0	146.8	135.9	0.8	8.9	100	100
Food	28	167.0	164.5	157.2	1.5	6.2	47	20
All items excluding food	72	141.4	140.5	128.6	0.6	10.0	53	80
Housing	32	145.8	145.0	130.7	0.6	11.6	21	41
Clothing	10	131.3	131.1	124.0	0.2	5.9	2	6
Transportation	14	141.7	141.5	126.4	0.1	12.1	3	20
Health and personal care	4	144.1	142.8	132.2	0.9	9.0	5	4
Recreation, education and reading	6	135.2	134.2	127.5	0.7	6.0	5	4
Tobacco and alcohol	6	135.4	131.7	125.7	2.8	7.7	17	5
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	—	0.68	0.68	0.74				
All items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100		194.2						

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1975.

Consumer Price Movements, May 1976 — (62-001, 30¢/\$3).

The all-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 0.8% to 148.0 in May from 146.8 in April. This increase, though identical to that which occurred between the corresponding months in 1975, was well above the relatively moderate advances observed since last December. The food index, after declining for five successive months, rose 1.5% from April to May, to account for nearly half the over-all CPI increase. Higher shelter charges and increased prices for tobacco and alcoholic products each contributed an additional one-sixth to this advance and were major factors in the 0.6% rise in the index for all items excluding food. Between May 1975 and May 1976, the total CPI increased 8.9%.

A rise in beef prices, up 12.4% on average over the previous month, was the largest single contributing factor to the 1.5% rise in the food index. Price increases for fresh produce, butter and fluid milk also contributed. Partially offsetting these increases were lower prices for poultry and for soft drinks for home

consumption. In the 12 months from May 1975 to May 1976, the index for food for home consumption was up 5.6%.

Higher home ownership charges, together with increased prices for tobacco and alcoholic products which were mainly brought about by various provincial budgetary measures, accounted for most of the 0.6% rise in the index for all items excluding food. Price increases were also registered for seasonal recreation equipment, barbering and hardressing services and plane fares.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, advanced 1.1% in the latest month while that for services increased 0.5%. Between May 1975 and May 1976, the price level of services increased 12.8% in comparison with a 6.9% rise for goods.

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Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All-items		Food		All-items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted
1973						
May	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8
June	0.9	0.7	1.9	1.6	0.6	0.5
July	0.9	0.5	1.9	0.9	0.5	0.3
August	1.3	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.5	0.6
September	0.6	1.0	0.9	2.0	0.5	0.6
October	0.3	0.5	-0.3	0.6	0.6	0.4
November	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.6	0.5	0.7
December	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7
1974						
January	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.5
February	1.0	1.1	2.3	1.9	0.5	0.8
March	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.5	0.8	0.7
April	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.0	1.0	1.0
May	1.6	1.6	2.9	2.8	1.2	1.1
June	1.3	1.1	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.3
July	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.5
August	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.2	0.8	0.9
September	0.6	0.9	0.4	1.4	0.6	0.7
October	0.9	1.2	1.4	2.3	0.7	0.7
November	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.1
December	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.6	0.8	0.9
1975						
January	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.6
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.8
March	0.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.5
June	1.5	1.4	3.2	3.0	0.8	0.8
July	1.4	1.0	2.3	1.2	1.0	0.9
August	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.9
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.2	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.4	1.1	1.0
November	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.0
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.6
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.4	0.8	0.9
February	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.8	0.7	0.7
March	0.4	0.5	-0.7	-0.5	0.8	0.8
April	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.7	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.5	1.4	0.6	0.6

* Due to roundings, slight variations (never exceeding 0.1) may exist between the percentage change figures shown here and those previously published on a 1961=100 time reference base.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 0.7% from April to May. This included a 1.4% increase in the food index and a 0.6% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

In May, the current annual rate of change in the CPI, based on the seasonally-adjusted movement in the latest three-month period, was 7.0%, up from the 5.0% April calculation.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 5,085,809 phonograph records in April, down from 5,385,702 in April 1975.

Production of pre-recorded tapes decreased to 1,090,829 from 1,190,541 in April 1975.

For further information, order *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes — Service Bulletin* (47-004, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

June 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	June 4/76 This week	May 28/76 Week ago	May 7/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	110.5	110.6	110.7
Industrials	85	114.1	113.8	114.7
Foods	9	93.8	94.2	96.7
Alcoholic beverages	5	84.1	84.4	83.7
Textiles and clothing	3	145.0	140.6	135.2
Pulp and paper	7	150.9	148.2	156.8
Printing and publishing	5	127.7	125.5	136.0
Primary metals	4	131.6	133.2	128.3
Industrial mines	6	97.8	96.8	100.1
Metal fabricating	9	220.2	214.9	217.8
Non-metallic minerals	4	104.3	105.6	109.5
Petroleum	8	107.3	108.7	104.4
Chemicals	5	141.9	142.7	138.8
Construction	5	214.1	213.5	209.9
Trade	15	99.2	99.8	99.7
Utilities and services	28	92.7	92.7	91.8
Transportation	6	128.5	128.3	129.7
Pipelines	5	77.6	78.1	78.5
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	111.7	111.3	108.0
Telephone	4	95.7	95.6	92.4
Electric power	3	108.0	108.4	105.6
Gas distribution	5	69.4	69.3	68.2
Finances	21	119.5	121.7	119.1
Banks	8	125.1	127.2	123.4
Investment and loan	9	108.0	110.7	110.7
Insurance	4	97.5	98.2	99.9
Mining Index	17	108.8	106.8	107.4
Gold	9	177.3	169.8	172.9
Base metals	8	76.0	76.6	76.0
Uraniums	2	208.5	209.4	213.7
Primary oils and gas index	5	112.9	113.2	110.3

For further information, order the June issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Freight Traffic, 1975 — Advance Information.

Railways in Canada hauled 248.9 million tons of revenue freight in 1975, a decline of 8.1% from 270.9 million tons in 1974. The figure for the latest year included 227.7 million tons loaded in Canada, down 6.7% from 1974, and 21.2 million tons received from United States connections, down 23.4% from 1974.

With the exception of a 12.9% gain in loadings in the Territories, traffic losses were recorded in each of the provinces in 1975.

On a commodity basis live animals recorded the only gain in total freight handled, increasing 9.6% to 240,429 tons. Crude materials, which accounted for 52.0% of all traffic, were down 5.8% to 129.4 million tons. Fabricated materials, the next largest category, dropped 15.3% to 64.0 million tons.

For further information, order the 1975 issue of *Railway Freight Traffic* (52-205, \$2.80), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-995-0665), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Fruit and Vegetable Production, June 1976 — Advance Information.

Total mushroom production in 1975 was 42.5 million pounds, an increase from 38.4 million pounds in 1974. The total value of the 1975 crop is estimated at \$28.067 million dollars.

The Canadian Mushroom Growers Survey is this month's supplement to *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, 40¢/\$3.00). Contact Mr. G.O. Code (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

March 1976 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingot and semi-finished shapes	33,058	29 989	26,913	24 414	59,971	54 403
Rails	28,556	25 906	15,933	14 454	44,489	40 360
Wire rods	57,002	51 712	10,348	9 387	67,350	61 099
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	39,648	35 968	2,659	2 412	42,307	38 380
Bar-sized shapes	8,951	8 120	1,596	1 448	10,547	9 568
Concrete reinforcing bars	39,472	35 809	522	474	39,994	36 283
Other hot rolled bars	88,071	79 898	3,793	3 441	91,864	83 339
Tire plates and track material	11,312	10 261	953	865	12,265	11 126
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	89,804	81 468	11,818	10 721	101,622	92 189
Hot rolled sheets	}					
Hot rolled strip		217,212	197 053	13,037	11 827	230,249
Cold finished bars		6,897	69	63	6,966	6 322
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	165,268	149 928	9,576	8 688	174,844	158 616
Galvanized sheets	69,029	62 622	7,584	6 880	76,613	69 502
Total	854,280	774 993	104,801	95 074	959,081	870 067

*Producer's shipments excluding producer's interchange.

For further information, order the March issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

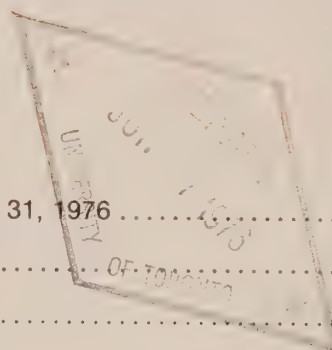
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Advance Trade Information

Full details on commodity-country export trade for April are now available, in advance of the regular publication *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information request to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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The Labour Force, May 1976 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

International Air Charter Statistics, 1975 (51-207, \$1.05)

Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, January 1976 (51-001, 40¢/\$4)

Shipments of Prepared Stock and Poultry Feeds, March 1976 (32-004, 40¢/\$4)

Vital Statistics, Volume I, Births, 1974 (84-204, \$1.05)



Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending May 31

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	3,921,040	2,389,022	6,310,062
Short tons, 1975r	4,016,400	3,055,203	7,071,603
Metric tonnes, 1976	3 557 108	2 167 284	5 724 392
Metric tonnes, 1975r	3 643 617	2 771 634	6 415 251
% change	-2.4	-21.8	-10.8
Cars, 1976	60,471	37,767	98,238
Cars, 1975r	64,656	49,263	113,919
% change	-6.5	-23.3	-13.8
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	174,223	73,392	247,615
Short tons, 1975r	220,519	85,849	306,368
Metric tonnes, 1976	158 052	66 580	224 632
Metric tonnes, 1975r	200 051	77 881	277 932
% change	-21.0	-14.5	-19.2
Cars, 1976	5,747	3,065	8,812
Cars, 1975r	7,449	3,654	11,103
% change	-22.8	-16.1	-20.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	51,830,347	40,353,206	92,183,553
Short tons, 1975r	49,869,378	41,938,264	91,807,642
Metric tonnes, 1976	47 019 700	36 607 813	83 627 513
Metric tonnes, 1975r	45 240 739	38 045 753	83 286 492
% change	3.9	-3.8	0.4
Cars, 1976	867,834	628,953	1,496,787
Cars, 1975r	855,236	670,612	1,525,848
% change	1.5	-6.2	-1.9
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	2,778,962	1,064,321	3,843,283
Short tons, 1975r	2,870,426	1,061,152	3,931,578
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 521 032	965 536	3 486 568
Metric tonnes, 1975r	2 604 007	962 661	3 566 668
% change	-3.2	0.3	-2.2
Cars, 1976	92,663	44,864	137,527
Cars, 1975r	98,258	49,375	147,633
% change	-5.7	-9.1	-6.8

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

rRevised figures.

Railway Carloadings, 10-Day Period Ended May 31, 1976 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily.

In the 10 days rail freight loadings decreased 10.8% to 6.3 million short tons (5.7 million metric tonnes) and cars dropped 13.8% to 98,238 units. Tonnages east of the Lakehead declined only 2.4%. In the West the volume of loaded freight fell by 21.8%.

Container and trailer-on-flat-car traffic (piggyback) was down 19.2% in the current period with substantial losses recorded both east and west of the Lakehead.

In the first five months of 1976 rail carload traffic was up 0.4% over the same 1975 period. Cumulative eastern loadings, in terms of tons, were up 3.9%, while in the West the opposite trend occurred and a 3.8% decline was registered. Year-to-date piggyback traffic was 2.2% below the 1975 level.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the exact conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms. One metric tonne is equal to 1 000 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stoves and Ranges, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in April increased 7.9% to 34,473 units from 31,947 units in April 1975. Closing inventory decreased 6.4% to 89,302 units from 95,398.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mrs. I. Groom (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Mineral Production, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of primary minerals for April and 1976 to date, with comparable 1975 figures in brackets:

- Silver: 3,722,053 troy ounces; 14,184,982 troy ounces (2,509,057; 11,796,606).
- Refined lead: 17,588 tons; 73,696 tons (17,583; 71,134).
- Refined zinc: 46,437 tons; 168,410 tons (42,332; 182,778).

For further information, order the April issue of *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 25,477 units in April, up from 19,375 in April 1975. Conventional washing machine sales were 4,450 units compared to 8,373 a year earlier. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 20,962 units compared to 14,748 units a year earlier. Gas dryer sales on the domestic market were 561 units compared to 514.

For further information, order the April issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mrs. I. Groom (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Particle Board, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian firms produced 46,503,000 sq. ft. (5/8" basis) of particle board in April compared to 23,919,000 sq. ft. in April 1975, an increase of 94.4%.

For further information, order the April issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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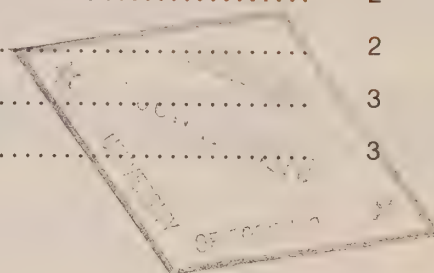
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Service Bulletin:

Energy Statistics (57-002, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 11, No. 12, Refined Petroleum Products, Selected Preliminary Data, January 1976



Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Following a decline in February, both import and export price indexes declined in March. The downward trend in the rate of increase of import and export measured by the year-over-year change in the moving average continued the decline which started at the beginning of 1975 for imports and mid-1974 for export prices. Year-over-year changes are now at the level of 1% — 4% compared with 31% and 37% at the height of the 1974 price boom.

Import and export seasonally-adjusted volume declined in March. However month-to-month changes in these series tend to be erratic. A more stable indication of trends is given by the year-over-year changes in the three-month moving average. This indicator shows positive and increasing changes for the last two or three periods for imports and exports. Positive year-over-year changes have not been given by these series since the end of 1974 in the case of imports and since the end of 1973, apart from two periods in 1974, for exports.

For further information, order the April issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Export and Import Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1976		
January	165.8	184.6
February	154.1	175.3
March	153.0	170.6
Change from same period 12 months earlier(1)	%	%
1975		
October	10.3	7.0
November	6.3	7.4
December	5.5	6.0
1976		
January	4.8	4.8
February	4.1	4.0
March	1.7	3.5

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices Seasonally Adjusted (1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1976		
January	145.2	114.1
February	154.9	118.0
March	150.9	117.4
Change from same period 12 months earlier(1)	%	%
1975		
October	-6.6	-11.0
November	-4.3	-8.5
December	-4.1	-5.1
1976		
January	-2.5	0.6
February	1.8	5.9
March	6.0	7.9

(1) Three-month moving average ending in month indicated.

Retail Trade, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales in April were \$4,670.9 million, an increase of 1.7% from \$4,591.4 million in March. Sales increased in 25 of the 28 trade groups. The largest increases were for book and stationery stores (15.1%) and sporting goods (12.8%). Service stations (-4.6%) recorded the largest decrease. Eight of the provinces recorded increases in sales from March, ranging from 9.2% for New Brunswick to 0.2% for British Columbia. Prince Edward Island (-10.3%) and Alberta (-5.3%) recorded decreases in sales over March.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$4,850.7 million in April, an increase of 21.2% over April 1975. Sales increased in all trade groups with the largest gains recorded by grocery, confectionery and sundries stores (33.6%) and service stations (31.1%). All provinces recorded increased sales over April 1975, ranging from a high of 25.3% for New Brunswick to 16.8% for Newfoundland. Montreal sales rose 21.6%, Toronto 16.2%, Winnipeg 20.0% and Vancouver 10.6%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for March, was \$4,260.3 million, an increase of 15.6% from March 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Consumer Credit, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly was \$19,400 million at the end of April, 16.5% more than a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of selected credit holders at the end of April 1976, with percent change from a year earlier:

- Chartered bank personal loans: \$14,036 million, up 23.0%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$63 million, up 31.3%.
- Life insurance company policy loans: \$1,171 million, up 6.4%.
- Sales finance and consumer company loans: small \$236 million, down 14.2%; large \$1,496 million, up 0.1%; retail instalment sales paper \$1,115 million, down 0.4%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,282 million, up 6.4%.
- Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$5,110 million at the end of the first quarter of 1976, up 15.5% from a year earlier. These holders include other retail stores, other credit-card issuers, credit unions and caisses populaires, public utilities, trust and mortgage and loan companies.

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the March quarter of 1976 totalled \$24,071 million, up 15.8% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the April issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Retail Trade Section, (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Roundwood production decreased 30.2% to 667,259 cunits in April from 955,998 cunits a year earlier. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased 11.1% to 2,388,554 cunits from 2,150,683 cunits and the closing inventory of these two products decreased 2.8% to 10,928,886 cunits from 11,236,947. Receipts of wood residue increased 21.4% to 1,050,189 cunits from 864,862.

For further information, order the April issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Advance Trade Information

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Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act, December 1975 and Annual Supplement (73-001, 40¢/\$4)

Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry, Including the Index of Industrial Production, March 1976 (61-005, 40¢/\$4)

Sales Financing, March 1976 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, March 1976 (55-001, 30¢/\$3)

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Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to April 30, 1976 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, April 1976 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

The Sugar Situation, April 1976 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Motor Vehicle Shipments, April 1976 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, May 1976 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Restaurant Statistics, April 1976 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gold Production, April 1976 (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, April 1976 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Burners and Oil-fired Hot Water Heaters, April 1976 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

International Travel, April 1976 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Salt, April 1976 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Copper and Nickel Production, April 1976 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletins:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Aluminum Rolling, Casting and Extruding (41-204-P); Jewellery and Silverware Industry (47-211-P); Non-commercial Trailer Manufacturers (42-217-P-2); Metal Door and Window Manufacturers (41-221-P-1); Ornamental and Architectural Metal Industry (41-221-P-2); Iron Foundries (41-226-P)

Service Bulletins:

Electrical Products (43-007, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 8, Electric Lamps (Light Sources), April 1976

Investment Statistics (61-007, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 2, No. 1, Capital and Repair Expenditures Manufacturing Sub-Industries Canada, 1974-1976

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	April 1976*	March 1976*	April 1975	March 1975	% Change	
					Apr./76 March/76	Apr./76 Apr./75
General wholesale index	509.2	505.2r	482.5r	477.9	0.8	5.5
Vegetable products	455.7	455.5r	472.5r	480.1	—	-3.6
Animal products	560.6	552.8r	498.4r	485.4	1.4	12.5
Textile products	429.3	426.8r	397.6	397.8	0.6	8.0
Wood products	676.7	674.9r	629.1r	615.7	0.3	7.6
Iron products	559.6	550.0r	518.2	500.4	1.7	8.0
Non-ferrous metals including gold	424.0	416.3	412.3	417.2	1.8	2.8
Non-metallic minerals	425.9	425.3r	384.9	382.4	0.1	10.7
Chemical products	385.9	383.9r	384.4	382.9	0.5	0.4
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	585.2	574.3r	548.1	543.6	1.9	6.8
Raw and partly manufactured goods	478.6	474.7r	457.4r	456.1	0.8	4.6
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	525.7	521.6r	496.4r	490.0	0.8	5.9

* These indexes are preliminary

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General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), April 1976 — Advance Information.

The general wholesale price index rose 0.8% to 509.2 in April from the revised March index of 505.2. It was 5.5% higher than a year earlier. Seven of the eight major groups increased while one decreased.

The non-ferrous metals index rose 1.8% in April to 424.0 from the revised March index of 416.3, due mainly to higher prices for copper of 7.1% and silver of 2.4%. Increases in the indexes for scrap iron and steel of 13.9% and for tinplate and galvanized sheets of 7.7% were primarily responsible for a 1.7% rise in the iron products index. The animal products index advanced 1.4%, reflecting increases in hides and skins of 18.4%, leather of 3.8%, livestock of 2.2% and fresh meats of 2.1%. Higher prices in domestic raw wool of 3.9% and cotton yarns of 2.7% contributed to a 0.6% increase in the textile products index. The chemical products index was up 0.5% with increases in fertilizer materials of 2.7% and industrial gasses of 1.7%. The wood products index moved up 0.3%, reflecting higher prices for hardwoods of 1.7% and pine lumber of 1.3%. The non-metallic minerals index edged up 0.1% as higher prices for cement, plate glass and pottery outweighed a decline for plaster.

The vegetable products index remained unchanged from March to April as higher prices for coffee and rubber were off set by declines for grains, sugar, vegetable oils and fresh produce.

Industrial Chemicals, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Manufacturers shipped 42,821,405 pounds — 19 423 463 kg (kilograms) — of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in April compared to 38,211,838 pounds — 17 332 599 kg — a year earlier.

For further information, order the April issue of *Specific Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Electric Power Statistics, April 1976 — Advance Information.

In April 1976 net generation increased to 23.6 billion TW.h from 22.8 billion TW.h in April 1975.

Hydro generation increased 8.8% while thermal production decreased 14.1%.

For further information, order the April issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

There were 118,633,000 plastic bottles produced during the March quarter, up from 110,554,000 in the same quarter of 1975. Shipments of plastic bottles (excluding intra-company transfers) amounted to 78,771,000 compared to 75,553,000 in 1975. These

shipments were valued f.o.b. plant at \$6,820,000 in 1976 compared to \$7,249,000 in 1975.

For further information order the March issue of *Rubber and Plastic Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, June 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at June 1 amounted to 50.6 million pounds compared with last year's total of 74.8 million pounds.

For further information, order the June issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers domestic sales of television sets were 23,342 colour sets in April 1976 and 5,667 black-and-white sets. A year earlier, their sales were 27,438 and 6,710.

Sales of record players were 2,817 this year and 3,260 one year ago.

For further information, order the April issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mrs. I. Groom (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 12, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended June 12, 1976, total 279,658 short tons — 253 701 t (metric tonnes) an increase of 2.0% from the preceding week's total of 274,674 short tons — 249 180 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 301,265 tons — 273 303 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) equalling 100 was 152.6 in the current week, 149.9 a week earlier and 164.4 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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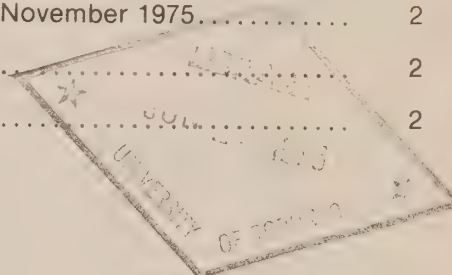
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Canadian Statistical Review, May 1976 (11-003E, 70¢/\$7)



Provincial Government Employment, First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

The general government services in Canada's provincial and territorial governments (excluding British Columbia) reported gross payrolls for the first quarter of 1976 of \$981.3 million, a decrease of 3.2% from the \$1,013.0 million reported for the last quarter of 1975.

The number of employees (full-time and other) reported for the last pay period in March 1976 was 330,820, a slight decrease from the 330,939 reported for the same pay period in December 1975.

For further information, order the first quarter issue of *Provincial Government Employment* (73-007, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact Mr. T.D. Harris (613-8995-0676), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Mechanical and Electrical Contracting, 1974 — Advance Information.

In 1974 a total of 4,837 mechanical contracting establishments in Canada had gross operating revenues of \$2,228 million. There were 3,344 electrical contracting establishments with gross revenues of \$1,138 million.

For further information, order the 1974 editions of *The Mechanical Contracting Industry* (64-204, \$1.40) and *The Electrical Contracting Industry* (64-205, \$1.05), or contact Ted Hewitt (613-994-9756), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, November 1975 — Advance Information.

Crude petroleum production for November amounted to 1,573,000 B/D, down 5.0% from 1,666,000 B/D in November 1974.

Natural gas production for the same period averaged 9,976,000 Mcf./D., an increase of 3.2% from 9,668,080 Mcf./D. in 1974.

For further information, order the November issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Coal Mines, 1974 — Advance Information.

The 1974 census value of production for coal mines increased 52.7% to \$331,370,000 from \$216,992,000 in 1973. The total number of employees increased to 8,142 from 7,856 while total salaries and wages increased to \$91,622,000 from \$75,522,000.

The value of coal production increased 68.5% from \$179,731,000 (for 22,567,000 tons) in 1973 to \$302,826,000 (for 23,445,000 tons) in 1974.

Further details will be contained in the 1974 edition of *Coal Mines* (26-206, \$1.05), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Footwear Statistics, April 1976 — Advance Information.

April production of footwear of all types increased to 3,370,438 pairs from 3,535,176 in April 1975.

For further information order the April issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact John Dornan (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Benchmark Revision

Monthly estimates of inventories, shipments and orders in manufacturing from January 1973 to March 1976 have been revised and benchmarked to 1973 Census of Manufactures data. These series, both with and without adjustment for seasonal variation, are now available from the CANSIM data bank. Classifications, as before, are according to the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification and an Economic Use Classification.

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Construction Price Statistics, May 1976 (62-007, 40¢/\$4)

University and College Libraries in Canada, 1971-72 (81-206, \$2.10)

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Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics, October-December 1975 (21-003, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Federal and Provincial Student Aid in Canada, 1971-72 (81-236, \$1.05)

Farm Input Price Index, First Quarter 1976 (62-004, 35¢/\$1.40)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, April 1976 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, March 1976 (35-002, 30¢/\$3)

Selected Meat and Meat Preparations, March 1976 (32-020, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, April 1976 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Computer Service Industry, 1974 (63-222, 70¢)

Vacancy Rates for Part- and Full-time Jobs Canada, Regions and Provinces

	Three Months Ended May 31, 1976p	Three Months Ended May 31, 1975
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)	
Canada	6	9
Atlantic Region	5	9
Newfoundland	4	9
Nova Scotia	5	8
New Brunswick	7	11
Quebec Region	5	8
Ontario Region	5	8
Prairie Region	10	14
Manitoba	10	14
Saskatchewan	8	14
Alberta	11	14
Pacific Region	4	6

p Preliminary estimates.

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Three-Months Ended May 31, 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary estimates for the three-months ended May 31 showed a decrease in the average number of vacant jobs from the comparable period a year earlier. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs decreased to 50,000 from 67,800.

Vacancies for full-time jobs decreased 26% to 44,900. The number of longer-term vacancies — jobs unfilled for more than four weeks — decreased 46% to 14,000.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period six were vacant, a decrease of three vacancies per 1,000 jobs from last year.

The highest vacancy rates were in the Prairie provinces — Alberta 11 per 1,000, Manitoba 10 per 1,000 and Saskatchewan eight vacancies per 1,000 jobs. The lowest vacancy rates were shown in Newfoundland and Pacific Region, namely four per 1,000.

Compared with the three-month period ended May 31, 1975, vacancy rates decreased in all provinces. The largest rate decreases were in Saskatchewan, down to eight from 14 and in Newfoundland, down to four from nine per 1,000.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, First Quarter 1976 — Advance Information.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis the deficit on current account rose to \$1,384 million in the first quarter of 1976. This was \$88 million greater than the previous record quarterly deficit, which occurred in the first quarter of 1975, and \$103 million greater than the deficit in the fourth quarter of 1975. Merchandise exports increased during the quarter by 5% but imports jumped by nearly 8%, causing the merchandise trade balance to swing by \$239 million from a small surplus in the last quarter of 1975 to a deficit of \$200 million. This swing was partly offset by a smaller deficit on services in the first quarter of 1976. A reduction in the deficit on interest and dividends, because of lower dividend payments, absorbed an increase in the deficit on travel resulting from more international travel by Canadians.

While the deficit on goods and services increased by \$196 million to \$1,519 million it was associated with strong growths in imports and exports. During the quarter there were signs of increased economic activity such as inventory accumulation, expansion of residential construction, settlement of outstanding labour disputes in the pulp and paper industry and recovery of activities affected by the postal strike in the previous quarter.

Total capital movements, unadjusted for seasonal variations, produced a record quarterly net capital inflow of \$2,441 million, which was 86% higher than in

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the fourth quarter of 1975. This capital inflow was substantially in excess of the current account deficit. There was a consequential increase in Canada's official reserves of about \$500 million.

The net capital inflow was more than accounted for by transactions in long-term forms. These produced a net inflow of \$2,795 million as borrowers, particularly provincial and municipal governments and their enterprises, took advantage of relatively low interest rates in other countries. The net inflow in long-term forms was over one-third greater than in the last quarter of 1975, and approached three-quarters the size of the total net inflow in long-term forms during all of 1975. New issues of Canadian securities brought in \$2,990 million, over one-quarter more than the previous record high which occurred in the fourth quarter of 1975. This was accompanied by a net inflow during the first quarter of 1976 of \$39 million in other forms of portfolio investment, a swing of \$199 million from the outflow which occurred in these forms during the previous quarter. Direct investment abroad, at \$70 million, was about half its level in the fourth quarter of 1975 while net direct investment in Canada remained at a negligible level as a result of Canadian purchases of previously foreign-owned assets. Other capital movements in long-term forms combined to produce a net outflow of \$169 million, mainly as a result of development assistance abroad by the Canadian government.

Capital movements in short-term forms represented a net outflow of \$354 million, just over half the net outflow in these forms in the last quarter of 1975. Canadian holdings of foreign currency increased by \$651 million with the greater part of this increase being in the form of claims of Canadian chartered banks on non-residents (including their foreign branches). While non-resident holdings of Canadian dollar deposits increased by nearly \$200 million, this was only \$23 million more than the increase in the same item during the last quarter of 1975. Trading in money market paper resulted in a net inflow of \$469 million, which was \$376 million more than in the previous quarter. There was a substantial reduction in the balancing item, representing unidentified transactions, which fell from a debit (apparent outflow) of around \$800 million for the last quarter of 1975 to, on present estimates, a debit of about \$200 million for the first quarter of 1976.

Full details will be available in the First Quarter 1976 edition of the *Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments* (67-001, \$1.05), to be published in July 1976.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Department store sales were \$521.2 million during April, an increase of 20.9% from the \$431.0 million registered in April 1975. Sales rose in 39 of the 40 departments with only furs (-6.8%) showing a decrease. The largest sales increases were recorded by men's and boys' footwear (57.8%) and toys and games (39.9%). All provinces reported increased sales over April 1975, ranging from a high of 36.2% for Quebec to

10.3% for British Columbia. Increases for metropolitan areas were: Montreal 38.5%; Toronto 14.1%; Winnipeg 14.3%; Vancouver 2.8%.

The selling value of stocks held in April was \$2,008.3 million, an increase of 31.7% over April 1975. Inventories increased in 39 departments with only repairs and services (-2.4%) showing a decrease. The largest increases were recorded by men's and boys' footwear (62.5%) and photographic equipment and supplies (60.7%).

For further information, order the April issue of *Department Stores Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Refined Petroleum Products, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary information indicates Canadian refineries produced 47,486 barrels of refined petroleum products in April, a decrease of 5.5% compared to April 1975.

Preliminary data for April shows that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 45,389,000 barrels, a decrease of 5.0% from April 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian oil pipelines received 2,287,000 barrels (363,600 cubic metres) a day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in April, down 3.4% from 2,367,000 B/D (376,000 cubic metres) in April 1975.

Domestic petroleum and products decreased 3.6% to 1,845,000 B/D (293,380 cubic metres) while imported petroleum and products decreased 2.6% to 442,000 B/D (70,300 cubic metres).

For further information, order the April issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

New Housing Price Indexes

March 1976 — May 1976 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	May 1976	April 1976	March 1976	February 1976	% Change May '76 May '75
Toronto	180.2	180.2	177.1	177.1	6.9
Ottawa-Hull	189.5	190.4	188.4	188.2	7.9
Edmonton	245.8	244.7	238.6	233.9	24.6
			(Jan. 1975 = 100)		
Halifax	109.9	109.8	109.2	108.0	5.5
St. Catharines-Niagara	108.3	108.0	107.4	106.6	6.7
Regina	137.4	136.8	135.5	129.8	28.7

Figures on chemical and mineral process plant indexes for the first quarter 1976 are now available

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 a year) or contact Mr. R.J. Lowe (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

June 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	June 11/76 This week	June 4/76 Week ago	May 14/76 Month ago
		1971 = 100		
Investors Index	134	109.2	110.5	112.8
Industrials	85	112.4	114.1	117.3
Foods	9	92.7	93.8	96.6
Alcoholic beverages	5	84.5	84.1	86.0
Textiles and clothing	3	140.9	145.0	133.6
Pulp and paper	7	150.3	150.9	155.9
Printing and publishing	5	122.1	127.7	135.6
Primary metals	4	129.0	131.6	131.9
Industrial mines	6	95.9	97.8	103.2
Metal fabricating	9	220.5	220.2	222.6
Non-metallic minerals	4	100.4	104.3	109.2
Petroleum	8	105.5	107.3	109.2
Chemicals	5	139.8	141.9	141.0
Construction	5	210.4	214.1	213.8
Trade	15	98.3	99.2	100.1
Utilities and services	28	92.6	92.7	93.4
Transportation	6	131.0	128.5	131.5
Pipelines	5	77.3	77.6	79.3
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	111.8	111.7	108.9
Telephone	4	94.6	95.7	94.4
Electric power	3	105.9	108.0	108.7
Gas distribution	5	68.9	69.4	70.0
Finances	21	117.9	119.5	119.8
Banks	8	123.0	125.1	124.3
Investment and loan	9	107.4	108.0	110.6
Insurance	4	97.1	97.5	101.3
Mining Index	17	107.8	108.8	108.1
Gold	9	176.5	177.3	171.0
Base metals	8	74.9	76.0	77.9
Uranium	2	213.4	208.5	216.8
Primary oils and gas index	5	112.3	112.9	114.9

For further information, order the June issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-802, 55¢ \$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending June 7

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	3,100,185	2,005,966	5,106,151
Short tons, 1975r	2,697,856	2,205,013	4,902,869
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 812 441	1 819 782	4 632 223
Metric tonnes, 1975r	2 447 454	2 000 354	4 447 808
% change	14.9	-9.0	4.1
Cars, 1976	47,725	31,739	79,464
Cars, 1975r	42,857	34,674	77,531
% change	11.4	-8.5	2.5
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	170,765	60,329	231,094
Short tons, 1975r	127,377	55,457	182,834
Metric tonnes, 1976	154 915	54 730	209 645
Metric tonnes, 1975r	115 554	50 310	165 864
% change	34.1	8.8	26.4
Cars, 1976	5,273	2,501	7,774
Cars, 1975r	4,586	2,302	6,888
% change	15.0	8.6	12.9
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	54,930,532	42,359,172	97,289,704
Short tons, 1975r	52,567,234	44,143,277	96,710,511
Metric tonnes, 1976	49 832 140	38 427 594	88 259 734
Metric tonnes, 1975r	47 688 193	40 046 107	87 734 300
% change	4.5	-4.0	0.6
Cars, 1976	915,559	660,692	1,576,251
Cars, 1975r	898,093	705,286	1,603,379
% change	1.9	-6.3	-1.7
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	2,949,727	1,124,650	4,074,377
Short tons, 1975r	2,997,803	1,116,609	4,114,412
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 675 947	1 020 265	3 696 212
Metric tonnes, 1975r	2 719 561	1 012 971	3 732 532
% change	-1.6	0.7	-1.0
Cars, 1976	97,936	47,365	145,301
Cars, 1975r	102,844	51,677	154,521
% change	-4.8	-8.3	-6.0

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

r Revised figures.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended June 7, 1976 —
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Revenue freight loaded by rail in Canada during the first seven days of June rose 4.1% to 5.1 million short tons (4.6 million metric tonnes). The number of cars loaded in the same period increased 2.5% to 79,464 from 77,531 units. Volume of carload traffic, in terms of tons, was up 14.9% east of the Lakehead in the current week while in the West freight declined 9.0%.

Piggyback movements were up 26.4% to 231,094 short tons (209 645 metric tonnes) with traffic in the East up by more than a third and western shipments up 8.8%.

From January 1 to June 7, 97.3 million short tons of revenue goods (88.3 million metric tonnes) had been hauled by rail, an increase of 0.6% over the similar 1975

period. During the same time 4.1 million short tons (3.7 million metric tonnes) were loaded in piggyback services.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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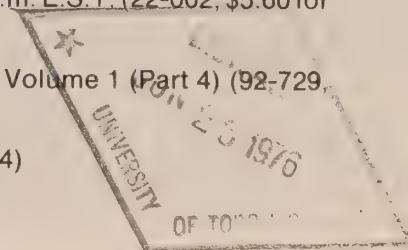
Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, May 1976 (62-009, 30¢/\$3)

Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 8, June Intended Acreages and Progress of Seedings; Winterkilling and Spring Condition of Winter Wheat, Fall Rye, Tame Hay and Pasture; Rates of Seeding — Available June 18 at 3 p.m. E.S.T. (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Population — 1971 Census of Canada, Introduction to Volume 1 (Part 4) (92-729, 50¢)

Merchandising Inventories, March 1976 (63-014, 40¢/\$4)

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Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1961=100), April 1976 (62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, April 1976 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Fish Freezings and Stocks, February 1976 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)

Particle Board, April 1976 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Preliminary Bulletins:

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, May 1976 — 62-009, 30¢/\$3).

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPIs show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price level differences between cities. Some such inter-city price comparisons are published separately.

From April to May, consumer price indexes advanced in all regional cities with increases ranging from 0.6% in Halifax to 1.4% in Winnipeg. The main contributors were higher food prices, particularly for beef cuts and fresh produce, as well as increased shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Higher prices for tobacco and alcohol products were also registered in some centres as a result of recent provincial budgets. Increases were also recorded in most cities for barber and hairdressing services and for seasonal recreation equipment.

St. John's

All items: April to May 1976, up 0.9%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 9.1%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, particularly for beef, fresh produce and dairy products. Home ownership charges and fuel oil prices also up.

Halifax

All items: April to May 1976, up 0.6%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: increased food prices, notably for beef cuts and fresh fruit, along with higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Higher clothing prices and increased barber and hairdressing charges registered.

Saint John

All items: April to May 1976, up 0.7%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, particularly for beef and fresh produce; home ownership charges, fuel oil and gasoline prices also up. Increases registered for men's haircuts.

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Quebec City

All items: April to May 1976, up 0.7%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for tobacco products; food index up resulting from higher prices for beef and restaurant meals; home ownership charges also up.

Montreal

All items: April to May 1976, up 0.8%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, notably for beef products; prices up for tobacco products and shelter charges.

Ottawa

All items: April to May 1976, up 1.0%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 8.8%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, notably beef; increased electricity rates and higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Price of alcohol products for home consumption also up.

Toronto

All items: April to May 1976, up 0.7%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, particularly for beef cuts and fresh vegetables; increased shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Higher prices also recorded for alcoholic beverages consumed at home.

Thunder Bay

All items: April to May 1976, up 1.0%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 10.1%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, notably for beef, pork, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Increased household operation charges and higher prices for alcoholic beverages consumed at home.

Winnipeg

All items: April to May 1976, up 1.4%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 10.3%.

Main contributors: increased food prices, particularly for beef and fresh produce; higher prices also for tobacco and alcohol products as well as increased shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation.

Saskatoon

All items: April to May 1976, up 0.9%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: increased food prices, particularly for beef cuts and fresh fruit; higher home ownership charges. Automobile insurance rates and gasoline prices also up.

Regina

All items: April to May 1976, up 1.3%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 10.4%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, notably for beef and fresh fruit; increased shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Automobile insurance rates and barber and hairdressing charges also up.

Edmonton

All items: April to May 1976, up 1.2%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 10.0%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, notably for beef and fresh fruit; increased shelter charges for both

owned and rented accommodation. Domestic gas and electricity rates also up.

Calgary

All items: April to May 1976, up 1.0%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 10.1%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, particularly for fresh produce, beef and restaurant meals. Increased home ownership charges and higher rates for barber and hairdressing services.

Vancouver

All items: April to May 1976, up 0.8%; May 1975 to May 1976, up 11.6%.

Main contributors: increased food prices, notably for beef cuts and fresh produce. Higher shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation. Increased prices recorded for recreation equipment.

(see table on next page)

Index of Industrial Production, April 1976 — Advance Information.

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production increased 0.8% to 119.1 in April from 118.2 in March. Mining, manufacturing and utilities contributed to the increases.

For further information, order the April issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian mills shipped 227,688,000 sq. ft. (3/8" basis) of softwood plywood in April, up from 216,499,000 sq. ft. in April 1975.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 34,557,000 sq. ft. surface measure for April, an increase of 0.1% over April 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywood* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Dairy Factory Production, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of creamery butter decreased 2.3% in May to 29.0 million pounds from 29.7 million pounds in May 1975. Cheddar cheese production also decreased 4.9% to 15.2 million pounds from 16.0 million pounds and production of ice cream mix decreased 12.3% to 2.7 million gallons from 3.1 million gallons.

For further information, order the May issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
May 1976 index	152.8	179.2	147.5	125.5	146.7	154.4	132.5	139.9
April 1976 index	151.5	175.8	146.5	124.8	146.5	152.4	132.5	139.7
% change from April 1976	0.9	1.9	0.7	0.6	0.1	1.3	0.0	0.1
% change from May 1975	9.1	9.3	13.2	0.6	9.4	10.4	6.4	7.7
Halifax								
May 1976 index	143.9	166.3	137.7	125.3	145.1	135.5	130.2	130.8
April 1976 index	143.0	164.3	137.2	124.1	144.9	132.5	129.7	130.8
% change from April 1976	0.6	1.2	0.4	1.0	0.1	2.3	0.4	0.0
% change from May 1975	9.8	5.4	14.1	5.4	14.1	9.1	6.2	4.4
Saint John								
May 1976 index	147.2	173.0	140.2	124.1	144.5	150.5	142.1	126.0
April 1976 index	146.2	171.1	139.6	123.5	144.0	147.1	141.5	124.5
% change from April 1976	0.7	1.1	0.4	0.5	0.3	2.3	0.4	1.2
% change from May 1975	8.6	8.0	10.8	3.8	10.0	12.3	6.0	2.0
Quebec City								
May 1976 index	142.7	165.4	134.2	126.7	142.0	136.5	133.7	135.7
April 1976 index	141.7	164.9	133.6	126.5	142.0	135.6	132.9	128.5
% change from April 1976	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.7	0.6	5.6
% change from May 1975	8.0	6.2	9.1	4.3	11.8	10.2	6.8	8.8
Montreal								
May 1976 index	144.2	167.8	131.0	133.7	143.2	143.6	137.1	136.1
April 1976 index	143.1	166.1	130.6	133.9	143.1	142.1	136.3	129.6
% change from April 1976	0.8	1.0	0.3	-0.1	0.1	1.1	0.6	5.0
% change from May 1975	8.0	6.3	8.8	6.5	13.0	7.6	6.0	8.1
Ottawa								
May 1976 index	145.1	162.9	139.2	136.5	140.4	142.6	133.2	138.1
April 1976 index	143.6	160.8	137.3	136.1	140.3	141.3	132.3	136.6
% change from April 1976	1.0	1.3	1.4	0.3	0.1	0.9	0.7	1.1
% change from May 1975	8.8	5.2	11.8	7.9	10.6	9.3	5.0	7.7
Toronto								
May 1976 index	145.1	166.7	137.6	130.2	140.1	148.4	137.0	136.7
April 1976 index	144.1	164.6	137.0	129.9	139.6	147.4	135.6	134.3
% change from April 1976	0.7	1.3	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.8
% change from May 1975	8.3	5.2	10.8	5.8	11.2	9.0	5.6	7.6
Thunder Bay								
May 1976 index	147.4	168.1	143.7	124.7	148.8	143.5	134.5	134.1
April 1976 index	146.0	164.5	142.6	124.5	148.4	142.8	133.4	132.0
% change from April 1976	1.0	2.2	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.8	1.6
% change from May 1975	10.1	6.8	14.0	5.3	12.0	10.0	7.4	7.6
Winnipeg								
May 1976 index	148.7	168.8	147.5	130.0	141.1	147.7	132.6	138.0
April 1976 index	146.7	165.2	146.4	129.3	140.8	147.6	131.3	128.8
% change from April 1976	1.4	2.2	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.1	1.0	7.1
% change from May 1975	10.3	7.0	15.6	5.2	11.5	10.1	5.8	10.0
Saskatoon**								
May 1976 index	143.9	164.7	139.2	132.0	134.8	136.1	144.2	131.1
April 1976 index	142.6	162.9	138.3	131.5	132.9	135.5	143.0	130.7
% change from April 1976	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.4	1.4	0.4	0.8	0.3
% change from May 1975	9.8	6.9	13.7	5.6	12.0	3.1	8.2	9.6
Regina**								
May 1976 index	143.8	159.9	140.4	130.6	136.6	141.6	145.4	131.9
April 1976 index	141.9	155.1	139.5	130.3	135.1	137.9	144.6	131.1
% change from April 1976	1.3	3.1	0.6	0.2	1.1	2.7	0.6	0.6
% change from May 1975	10.4	6.0	16.0	5.4	12.9	6.1	8.9	7.9

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Indices des prix à la consommation dans certains agglomérations urbaines (suite)

Ces indices mesurent dans chaque ville le pourcentage de variation des prix à la consommation depuis la période de base jusqu'à des périodes subséquentes. Ils ne peuvent servir à comparer les niveaux des prix d'une ville à l'autre.*

	Tous les éléments	Alimen- ta- tion	Habi- ta- tion	Habil- le- ment	Trans- ports	Soins person- nels et de santé	Loisirs forma- tion et lec- ture	Tabacs et alcools
	(1971=100)							
Edmonton**								
May 1976 index	145.8	160.0	148.4	131.3	142.6	137.6	131.5	128.5
April 1976 index	144.0	155.3	146.5	130.7	143.0	135.6	131.1	128.2
% change from April 1976	1.2	3.0	1.3	0.5	-0.3	1.5	0.3	0.2
% change from May 1975	10.0	7.2	15.8	4.6	11.0	8.9	5.2	3.4
Calgary**								
May 1976 index	144.8	161.3	142.2	133.8	141.9	141.9	133.1	128.8
April 1976 index	143.4	157.9	141.1	133.3	142.1	139.7	132.0	128.2
% change from April 1976	1.0	2.2	0.8	0.4	-0.1	1.6	0.8	0.5
% change from May 1975	10.1	6.6	16.3	4.6	11.5	10.8	5.8	4.1
Vancouver								
May 1976 index	151.0	172.3	144.0	135.0	150.7	146.7	131.7	136.2
April 1976 index	149.8	169.2	143.1	134.4	150.5	145.8	130.5	135.9
% change from April 1976	0.8	1.8	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.9	0.2
% change from May 1975	11.6	6.5	13.7	6.9	21.5	9.8	7.1	9.6

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50).

** These indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supercede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see *Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin*, Vol. 3, No. 5 (62-005).

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, June 1, 1976 — Advance Information.

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 79.5 million pounds on June 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 41.8 million. Stocks of cheddar cheese were down to 57.3 million pounds from 61.9 million. Stocks of skim milk powder increased 109.2% to 345.3 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk decreased 18.6% to 22.9 million.

For further information, order the June issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Tobacco Products, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Production of cigarettes for May was 5.4 billion compared to 5.0 billion for May 1975. Production of cigars was 50.2 million compared to 44.0 million for May 1975.

For further information, order the May issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Service Bulletin* (32-022, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Advance information on the pack, shipments and stocks of selected canned fruits and vegetables for April 1976 is now available.

For further information, order the April issue of *Pack, Shipments and Stocks of Selected Canned Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oilseeds, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Crushings of oilseeds in April, with oil produced and meal produced in brackets (all figures thousands of pounds):

- Soybeans: 127,458 (21,622; 100,657).
- Rapeseed: 54,175 (22,257; 29,940).
- Sunflowerseed: 4,543 (1,944; 1,504).

For further information, order the latest quarterly issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact R. Mangione (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1976				% Change
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	116.2	117.1	118.2	119.1	0.8
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.5	107.6	106.0	106.9	0.8
Metal mines	1.584	109.7	107.1	104.8	104.9	0.1
Mineral fuels	1.492	107.2	107.4	105.9	107.2	1.2
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	113.5	113.2	113.0	112.3	-0.6
Manufacturing industries	22.862	115.2	116.4	117.9	118.9	0.9
Food and beverage industries	3.254	115.1	114.9	114.3	114.9	0.5
Tobacco products industries	.212	111.8	111.3	119.9	117.6	-1.9
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	124.0	127.4	124.5	122.6	-1.5
Leather industries	.206	104.7	103.7	103.6	107.2	3.4
Textile industries	.756	114.7	116.3	115.7	115.0	-0.7
Knitting mills	.205	107.5	105.3	104.9	105.6	0.7
Clothing industries	.742	110.2	111.0	111.5	111.9	0.3
Wood industries	.968	121.0	122.1	120.6	122.9	1.9
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	121.6	121.2	122.1	122.0	-0.1
Paper and allied industries	1.878	87.4	96.4	111.2	115.5	3.8
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	119.7	119.4	120.1	119.5	-0.5
Primary metal industries	1.976	104.8	107.0	108.2	109.6	1.3
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	117.7	118.2	118.7	118.8	0.1
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	135.1	136.3	137.3	136.3	-0.7
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	123.2	123.3	124.8	127.8	2.4
Electrical products industries	1.631	117.2	120.8	121.2	118.7	-2.1
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	117.2	118.4	114.8	123.0	7.1
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	132.5	122.5	122.0	123.1	0.9
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	122.6	121.7	123.1	122.9	-0.2
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	108.3	107.2	108.1	108.7	0.5
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	135.4	135.9	136.8	137.3	0.4
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	111.9	113.0	115.5	116.3	0.6
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	118.5	119.8	120.3	121.6	1.1

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber

April 1976 — Advance Information.

April production of rubber increased to 27,289,000 pounds — 12 377 000 kg (kilograms) — compared to 13,924,000 pounds — 6 316 000 kg (kilograms) in April 1975. Consumption of rubber increased to 54,095,000 pounds — 24 538 000 kg (kilograms) compared to 50,952,000 pounds — 23 111 000 kg (kilograms) — for the same period last year.

For further information, order the April 1976 issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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To order, send a cheque for \$2.75 payable to the Receiver General for Canada and ask for *Canada 1976*, English edition, catalogue number 11-203.

Fruit and Vegetable Production, June 1976 (22-003, 30¢/\$3)



Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Mar. 1976f	Feb. 1976p	Jan. 1976p	Mar. 1975
	(\$ millions)			
	Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	45.3	40.1	40.0	36.4
Forestry	64.4	63.9	59.0	69.0
Mining	197.6	197.2	193.3	171.4
Manufacturing	1,748.7	1,719.3	1,671.3	1,544.0
Construction	624.9	619.7	598.3	534.6
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	789.9	761.2	758.7	694.0
Trade	1,038.0	1,024.1	1,028.5	902.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	471.8	466.8	460.2	414.2
Service	1,871.6	1,862.2	1,852.0	1,610.6
Public Administration and Defence(1)	653.4	657.9	639.8	570.1
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	7,508.6	7,414.9	7,302.9	6,550.7
Supplementary Labour Income	682.4	674.4	673.2	552.3
Total, Labour Income(2)	8,191.0	8,089.3	7,976.1	7,103.1
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	63.8	62.7	61.6	51.6
Forestry	75.1	70.7	65.6	80.9
Mining	196.9	198.2	194.1	170.7
Manufacturing	1,778.7	1,762.6	1,706.0	1,570.8
Construction	723.5	732.4	714.6	621.0
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	811.2	783.5	785.3	713.5
Trade	1,062.3	1,056.7	1,049.9	923.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	467.0	467.2	463.6	409.9
Service	1,846.9	1,837.6	1,823.1	1,590.1
Public Administration and Defence(1)	663.2	669.2	651.9	578.4
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	7,693.3	7,649.3	7,521.3	6,716.1
Supplementary Labour Income	640.4	628.7	621.3	515.6
Total, Labour Income(2)	8,333.8	8,278.0	8,142.5	7,231.7

f First estimates.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

(1) Excludes military pay and allowances.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

. Not available.

Estimates of Labour Income, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Labour income, adjusted for seasonal variation, was estimated at \$8,333.8 million in March, an increase of 0.7% from the estimate for February. Wages and salaries in the goods-producing industries advanced by 0.3% and those in the service-producing industries by 0.8%.

During the first quarter, labour income, adjusted for seasonal variation, advanced by 4.5% as compared to a gain of 2.0% recorded during the fourth quarter. Wages and salaries in the goods-producing industries advanced by 5.0% while those in the service-producing industries showed an increase of 3.8%.

Two-thirds of this acceleration in the rate of growth was due to the cessation of major industrial disputes which severely affected the fourth quarter; the inclusion of large indexation payments, made to Quebec public sector employees, in the third quarter which further dampened the fourth quarter advance; and to increased employer contribution, which came

into effect in the beginning of 1976, to publicly-controlled welfare plans.

Monthly and annual estimates of labour income have been revised for the period 1971 to present. These revisions will be contained in the January-March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, 40¢/\$4). Advance information and further details can be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Preliminary April 1976 values and all revised figures in the accompanying tables are based on new benchmarks established by the 1973 census of manufactures. As a result, values from January 1973 forward

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Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Apr. 1976p	Mar. 1976r	Not Seasonally Adjusted			
			Feb. 1976r	Jan.-Dec. 1975r	Jan.-Dec. 1974r	Jan.-Dec. 1973r
	(\$ millions)					
Newfoundland	42.5	55.8	47.4	700.2	707.2	382.6
Nova Scotia	180.1	187.9	158.8	1,907.2	1,686.7	1,250.7
New Brunswick	152.5	158.3	137.5	1,647.0	1,583.8	1,175.5
Quebec	2,183.9	2,273.1	1,983.5	23,822.1	22,474.7	17,541.7
Ontario	4,317.2	4,401.2	3,868.3	44,082.9	41,367.4	34,300.7
Manitoba	217.3	222.1	208.8	2,554.2	2,281.6	1,840.2
Saskatchewan	83.9	84.0	77.7	1,084.5	1,039.7	809.4
Alberta	398.9	411.2	381.5	4,453.7	3,815.1	2,973.3
British Columbia	733.4	730.5	667.3	7,236.1	7,402.4	6,394.1
Canada*	8,319.1	8,533.0	7,539.9	87,597.7	82,458.5	66,757.9

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1972 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Apr. 1976p	Mar. 1976r	Feb. 1976r	Jan. 1976r
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	8,319.1	8,533.0	7,539.9	7,187.1
Non-durable	4,339.5	4,460.6	4,013.8	3,883.8
Durable	3,979.6	4,072.4	3,526.1	3,303.3
New Orders: Total	8,400.8	8,402.7	7,461.0	7,092.1
Non-durable	4,380.4	4,462.5	4,015.1	3,921.1
Durable	4,020.4	3,940.1	3,446.0	3,170.9
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,952.3	9,870.5	10,000.9	10,079.7
Non-durable	1,300.4	1,259.4	1,257.4	1,256.1
Durable	8,651.9	8,611.1	8,743.4	8,823.6
Inventory Owned: Total	16,198.1	16,272.6	15,948.5	15,823.3
Inventory Held: Total	16,998.8	17,054.3	16,776.0	16,629.1
Raw materials	6,926.1	6,927.2	6,891.5	6,974.1
Goods in process	4,490.9	4,556.5	4,514.7	4,445.2
Finished Products	5,581.7	5,570.5	5,369.8	5,209.9
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	8,154.5	8,076.8	7,790.1	7,669.9
Non-durable	4,303.6	4,353.6	4,127.6	4,130.7
Durable	3,850.9	3,723.2	3,662.5	3,539.2
New Orders: Total	8,317.2	7,979.3	7,702.0	7,463.7
Non-durable	4,298.8	4,353.0	4,122.5	4,142.7
Durable	4,018.4	3,626.3	3,579.5	3,321.0
Unfilled Orders: Total	9,987.1	9,824.4	9,921.9	10,010.0
Non-durable	1,263.6	1,268.4	1,269.0	1,274.1
Durable	8,723.5	8,556.0	8,652.9	8,735.9
Inventory Owned: Total	16,093.5	16,071.0	15,827.6	15,729.7
Inventory Held: Total	16,912.0	16,844.4	16,666.3	16,555.3
Raw materials	7,044.7	6,988.0	6,876.3	6,894.0
Goods in process	4,473.5	4,486.5	4,521.0	4,470.7
Finished products	5,393.8	5,369.9	5,269.0	5,190.6
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.97	1.99	2.03	2.05
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.66	0.66	0.68	0.68

are not directly comparable to previously published data. In addition, these estimates incorporate newly calculated factors for seasonal adjustment, a number of revisions to the panel of reporting establishments and a large number of reported values not received in time for use in calculating earlier published estimates.

Comparable data from January 1973 forward are now in the CANSIM data bank and will be published in the April issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50). For further information contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Motor Carrier Passenger and Urban Transit, 1974 — Advance Information.

Preliminary results from the passenger bus and urban transit survey indicate that 150 intercity and urban transit companies in Canada grossed \$485 million in 1974

For further information contact the Chief, Surface Transportation Section (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Housing Starts and Completions in Centres of 10,000 Population & Over

March 1976 — Advance Information

	Starts					Completions				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	12	—	—	—	12	4	2	10	—	16
Prince Edward Island	2	—	—	—	2	52	—	—	—	52
Nova Scotia	113	14	—	11	138	133	80	2	1	216
New Brunswick	17	10	—	168	195	130	11	10	12	163
Quebec	1,452	46	43	1,299	2,840	1,107	120	3	160	1,390
Ontario	1,406	738	1,232	1,634	5,010	875	346	389	1,268	2,878
Manitoba	206	44	33	225	508	230	80	—	226	536
Saskatchewan	151	5	6	252	414	90	—	26	—	116
Alberta	1,173	86	101	395	1,755	249	251	10	77	587
British Columbia	1,263	71	96	430	1,860	573	71	80	2	726
Canada	5,795	1,014	1,511	4,414	12,734	3,443	961	530	1,746	6,680
Metropolitan Areas										
Calgary	520	26	97	288	931	32	23	10	—	65
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	30	—	—	—	30	—	—	—	—	—
Edmonton	459	36	—	18	513	86	175	—	—	261
Halifax	74	14	—	11	99	59	18	2	—	79
Hamilton	86	12	36	184	318	25	2	93	185	305
Hull	64	15	—	66	145	1	2	—	—	3
Kitchener	70	42	34	61	207	1	2	—	—	3
London	65	2	153	229	449	42	32	16	—	90
Montreal	1,099	31	40	1,167	2,337	815	112	3	156	1,086
Ottawa	42	2	305	—	349	25	10	25	—	60
Quebec	56	—	—	—	56	114	—	—	—	114
Regina	68	5	—	—	73	6	—	26	—	32
St. Catharines-Niagara	225	78	38	—	341	78	46	—	—	124
Saint-John	16	6	—	168	190	44	11	10	12	77
St. John's	11	—	—	—	11	4	2	10	—	16
Saskatoon	67	—	—	30	97	52	—	—	—	52
Sudbury	7	—	—	—	7	8	—	—	—	8
Thunder Bay	42	20	6	—	68	24	1	—	6	31
Toronto	583	467	371	673	2,094	315	117	181	315	928
Vancouver	711	31	77	98	917	197	22	—	2	221
Victoria	122	14	3	178	317	33	—	—	—	33
Windsor	70	—	—	10	80	62	—	—	62	124
Winnipeg	161	44	33	205	443	189	65	—	226	480
Sub-Total	4,648	845	1,193	3,386	10,072	2,212	640	376	964	4,192
Major Urban Areas	439	112	271	364	1,186	393	200	65	462	1,120
Other areas 10,000 +	708	57	47	664	1,476	838	121	89	320	1,368
All Areas 10,000 +	5,795	1,014	1,511	4,414	12,734	3,443	961	530	1,746	6,680

For further information, order *Housing Starts and Completions*, March 1976 (64-002, 40¢/\$4).

Roads and Bridges

Statistics on general contractors primarily engaged in road and bridge building have been compiled in a publication available soon. For financial and operational data on the industry, which included 929 establishments across Canada with total revenue of \$1.8 billion in 1974, order the *Highway, Roads, Street and Bridge Contracting Industry, 1974* (64-206, \$1.05) or contact Mr. G. Beauchamp or Mrs L. Hunton (613-994-9795), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z6.

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Monthly Production of Soft Drinks, May 1976 (32-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, April 1976 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, April 1976 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletin:

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 5, No. 5, Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, May 1976

Weekly Security Price Indexes

June 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	Jun. 18/76 This week	Jun. 11/76 Week ago	May 21/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	110.0	109.2	112.8
Industrials	85	113.9	112.4	117.0
Foods	9	92.4	92.7	95.5
Alcoholic beverages	5	85.7	84.5	85.7
Textiles and clothing	3	142.0	140.9	136.1
Pulp and paper	7	147.8	150.3	154.6
Printing and publishing	5	121.3	122.1	132.0
Primary metals	4	131.7	129.0	133.4
Industrial mines	6	99.5	95.9	101.3
Metal fabricating	9	226.0	220.5	220.7
Non-metallic minerals	4	102.9	100.4	105.9
Petroleum	8	106.3	105.5	110.7
Chemicals	5	137.2	139.8	143.9
Construction	5	209.7	210.4	215.7
Trade	15	98.0	98.3	101.4
Utilities and services	28	92.5	92.6	93.6
Transportation	6	131.2	131.0	130.5
Pipelines	5	77.1	77.3	79.1
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	111.2	111.8	112.4
Telephone	4	94.2	94.6	95.2
Electric power	3	106.4	105.9	110.1
Gas distribution	5	69.3	68.9	70.1
Finances	21	116.6	117.9	121.3
Banks	8	121.2	123.0	125.9
Investment and loan	9	107.4	107.4	112.2
Insurance	4	96.9	97.1	101.4
Mining Index	17	107.3	107.8	107.0
Gold	9	175.4	176.5	166.1
Base metals	8	74.7	74.9	78.6
Uraniums	2	217.2	213.4	215.2
Primary oils and gas index	5	114.0	112.3	113.0

For further information, order the June issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sales Financing, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Sales finance companies purchased \$257.9 millions of retail finance paper in April, an increase of 14.1% compared with the \$226.0 million purchased in April 1975. The total purchases this month comprised \$76.0 million for passenger cars, \$28.1 million for other consumer goods, \$105.0 million for commercial vehicles and \$48.8 million for other commercial and industrial goods. Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the first quarter amounted to \$1,506.8 million, an increase of 4.6% over \$1,439.9 million financed during the first quarter of 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3) or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Radio Air — Time Sales, March 1976 — Advance Information.

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were reported at \$5.7 million for March, a decrease of 5.5% from the \$6.0 million reported for March 1975. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$4.8 million, a decrease of 5.6% from the \$5.1 million reported last year.

Net local air-time sales were \$12.3 million compared to \$11.3 million last year, an increase of 8.2%.

For further information, order *Communications Service Bulletin* (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending June 14

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	2,735,964	1,958,298	4,694,262
Short tons, 1975r	2,650,007	2,099,966	4,749,973
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 482 025	1 776 538	4 258 563
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 404 046	1 905 057	4 309 103
% change	3.2	-6.7	-1.2
Cars, 1976	43,151	31,514	74,665
Cars, 1975r	44,214	33,907	78,121
% change	-2.4	-7.1	-4.4
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	145,674	62,673	208,347
Short tons, 1975r	133,022	53,611	186,633
Metric tonnes, 1976	132 153	56 856	189 009
Metric tonnes, 1975	120 676	48 635	169 311
% change	9.5	16.9	11.6
Cars, 1976	4,868	2,564	7,432
Cars, 1975r	4,739	2,334	7,073
% change	2.7	9.9	5.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1976	57,666,496	44,163,396	101,829,892**
Short tons, 1975r	55,217,241	46,243,243	101,460,484
Metric tonnes, 1976	52 314 165	40 064 359	92 378 524
Metric tonnes, 1975	50 092 238	41 951 164	92 043 402
% change	4.4	-4.5	0.4
Cars, 1976	959,970	689,464	1,649,434**
Cars, 1975r	942,307	739,193	1,681,500
% change	1.9	-6.7	-1.9
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1976	3,095,401	1,185,715	4,281,116**
Short tons, 1975r	3,130,825	1,170,220	4,301,045
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 808 101	1 075 663	3 883 764
Metric tonnes, 1975	2 840 237	1 061 606	3 901 843
% change	-1.1	1.3	-0.5
Cars, 1976	102,804	49,730	152,534**
Cars, 1975r	107,583	54,011	161,594
% change	-4.4	-7.9	-5.6

*Includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

**Includes adjustments in respect to prior periods.

r Revised figures.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended June 14, 1976 —
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In the second week of June, 4.7 million short tons (4.3 million metric tonnes) of revenue rail freight were loaded in Canada. This fell short of the previous year's seven-day total loadings by 1.2%. The number of cars loaded in the current period at 74,665 units was 4.4% below 1975.

Carload traffic east of the Lakehead was up 3.2% to 2.7 million short tons (2.5 million metric tonnes), while in the West goods loaded by rail dropped 6.7% below the 1975 level to 2.0 million short tons (1.8 million metric tonnes).

Piggyback shipments (containerized and trailer movements on flat cars) rose 9.5% in the East and 16.9% in the West and showed an over-all gain of 11.6%.

In the year 1976 to June 14, rail freight loadings totalled 101.8 million short tons (92.4 million metric

tonnes), a gain of 0.4% over the 1975 period. Traffic gains of 4.4% in the East were nullified by almost identical losses west of the Lakehead. Piggyback freight was 0.5% off the 1975 pace.

Short tons have been converted to metric tonnes using the conversion factor one short ton (2,000 lbs.) equals 907.184 74 kilograms.

For further information, contact J.K. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

April 1976 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	31,597	28 664	14,196	12 878	45,793	41 542
Rails	30,573	27 735	8,874	8 050	39,447	35 785
Wire rods	45,136	40 947	18,164	16 478	63,300	57 425
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	44,095	40 002	3,679	3 338	47,774	43 340
Bar-sized shapes	7,533	6 834	551	500	8,084	7 334
Concrete reinforcing bars	46,576	42 253	3,307	3 000	49,883	45 253
Other hot rolled bars	74,234	67 344	3,093	2 806	77,327	70 150
Tire plates and track material	7,598	6 893	275	249	7,873	7 142
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	89,734	81 405	10,395	9 430	100,129	90 835
Hot rolled sheets and strip	217,205	197 045	26,629	24 157	243,834	221 202
Cold finished bars	6,862	6 225	164	149	7,026	6 374
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled other, coated	155,620	141 176	9,054	8 214	164,674	149 390
Galvanized sheets	59,479	53 958	11,789	10 695	71,268	64 653
Total	816,242	740 481	110,170	99 944	926,412	840 425

*Producer's shipments excluding producer's interchange.

For further information, order the April issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Exports by Countries, January-March 1976 (65-003, \$2.10/\$8.40)

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Quarterly Shipments of Office Furniture Products, Quarter Ended March 31, 1976
(35-006, 35¢/\$1.40)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethly Alcohol, April 1976 (32-021,
15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Chemicals, April 1976 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, April 1976 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Bulletin:

1974 Census of Manufactures (\$4.90 for series): Fur Dressing and Dyeing
(47-205-p-8)

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Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 4, 1975 Pack of Frozen Fruits and Vegetables as Reported up to the End of April 1976

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 15, Telecommunication Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1975

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 8, No. 26, Number of Canadian Civil Aircraft Reporting Flying Hours in 1974

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



(see corresponding table on next page)

Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, May 1976 —
Published only in Statistics Canada and Infomat.

After seasonal adjustment, Canadian exports for May were \$3,117 million on a balance-of-payments basis, an increase of 1% from April. In contrast, the value of imports declined by 8.5% in May to \$2,875 million. This

preliminary import figure, the lowest in 1976, was only slightly higher than 1975 monthly rates.

The merchandise trade balance consequently was a surplus of \$242 million in May, in contrast to a deficit of (continued)

Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis Unadjusted		Balance of Payments Basis				Trade Balance
	Exports	Imports	Unadjusted Exports	Unadjusted Imports (\$ millions)	Seasonally Adjusted Exports	Seasonally Adjusted Imports	
1974							
Fourth Quarter	8,884	8,899	8,984	8,704	8,492	8,480	12
1975							
First Quarter	7,719	8,301	7,586	8,141	8,100	8,397	-297
Second Quarter	8,784	9,297	8,889	9,133	8,221	8,544	-323
Third Quarter	7,748	8,119	7,874	7,966	8,445	8,503	-58
Fourth Quarter	8,853	8,918	8,998	8,746	8,581	8,542	39
1976							
First Quarter	8,710	9,107	8,556	8,969	9,021	9,221	-200
1975							
December	2,937	2,830	2,902	2,781	2,912	2,896	16
1976							
January	2,836	2,899	2,714	2,846	2,890	3,033	-143
February	2,930	2,974	2,873	2,911	3,140	3,170	-30
March	2,944	3,234	2,969	3,212	2,991	3,018	-27
April	3,055	3,158	3,126	3,111	3,082	3,146	-64
May	3,338	3,279	3,391	3,222	3,117	2,875	242

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

\$64 million in April. Similarly, for the three-month period from March to May, there was a trade surplus of \$151 million. There was a deficit of \$157 million for the December to February period.

Exports (Customs Basis)

Exports to the United States in May reached the record level of \$2,146 million, seasonally adjusted. But there was a decline of 2.5% in shipments to overseas destinations as exports fell sharply to Japan and the United Kingdom. A substantial drop in shipments of lumber, pulp and newsprint paper occurred, owing in part to the disruption of freight services in British Columbia. Exports of metallic ores and fertilizer materials were also lower in May but wheat shipments advanced sharply. Seasonally-adjusted exports of motor vehicles to the U.S. declined about \$15 million in May but those of automotive parts and engines rose over \$30 million. The values of crude oil and natural gas deliveries were higher by about \$15 million each.

At \$9,051 million, exports for the three-month period ended in May remained virtually unchanged in comparison with the total for the preceding three-month period, as an absolute gain of \$310 million in exports to the U.S. was nearly matched by declines to overseas countries. Exports to the European Economic Community countries were moderately higher in the current three months but were sharply lower to Japan and other countries.

Seasonally-adjusted exports of motor vehicles and parts to the U.S. were \$235 million greater in the three months ending in May, with about a half of the increase due to passenger cars. Newsprint shipments rose by \$200 million. Exports of metallic ores and non-ferrous metals increased about \$165 million but the value of crude oil deliveries fell approximately \$225 million.

Wheat shipments to overseas customers were nearly \$300 million lower in the March-May period but exports of asbestos and newsprint gained moderately.

Imports (Customs Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted imports from the U.S. declined 1.5% in May to \$2,090 million, but nearly 90% of the contraction in total imports was in trade with overseas countries. Imports were lower in May from the EEC countries and Japan, but the fall in imports was concentrated in the remaining countries.

Crude oil imports fell some \$170 million from the high April level. Other commodities recording lower imports included coal, fabricated materials, machinery and tools. Seasonally-adjusted imports of motor vehicles from the U.S. rose some \$45 million in May but those of parts were slightly lower.

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At \$9,168 million, seasonally-adjusted imports for March-May were marginally below the level for the preceding three months. Imports from the U.S. remained virtually unchanged between the two periods but imports from Japan increased while those from the EEC and remaining countries fell.

Imports from the U.S. of automotive products—mostly vehicle parts—rose roughly \$165 million in the three months. But imports of coal, organic chemicals and a variety of other commodities declined. Imports from overseas countries of crude oil and automotive

goods, respectively, were some \$210 million and \$85 million lower in the March-May period. There were nearly offsetting increases covering meat, sugar, machinery, equipment, consumer goods and other commodities.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the May issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see tables on pages 5 to 10)

Oils and Fats — Manufacturer's Sales

March 1976 — Advance Information

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Retail Packages:						
1976	20,994	9 525	4,992	2 264	5,841	2 649
1975	21,145	9 591	3,732	1 693	4,940	2 241
Commercial Packages:						
1976	1,878	852	9,791	4 441	1,427	647
1975	1,076	488	10,219	4 635	1,362	618
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers:						
1976	12,423	5 635	2,147	974	6,409	2 907
1975	10,150	4 604	657	298	2,476	1 122
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers:						
1976	—	—	11,214	5 086	3,687	1 636
1975	—	—	13,732	6 229	3,768	1 709

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

For further information, order the March issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619) Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 939.3 million feet board measure of lumber and ties in April compared to 746.4 million in April 1975. January to April production increased to 3,542.7 million feet board measure from 2,581.3 million feet board measure for the same period in 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl — Asbestos Floor Tile, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,399 short tons — 3,991 t (metric tonnes) — or 9,458,037 square feet — 878, 680 m² (square metres) — of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in May compared to 3,591 short tons — 3 258 t (metric tonnes) — or 8,542,761 square feet — 793 648 m² (square metres) — in 1975.

For further information, order the May issue of *Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile Service Bulletin* (47-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Table 1

Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1974							
Fourth Quarter	8,661.3	6,729.2	5,757.0	312.1	2,592.2	518.3	424.4
1975							
First Quarter	8,591.6	6,769.4	5,593.6	328.6	2,669.4	569.7	373.5
Second Quarter	8,664.9	6,697.9	5,860.0	316.6	2,488.3	511.5	305.8
Third Quarter	8,676.9	6,505.9	6,026.9	290.6	2,359.4	484.4	260.4
Fourth Quarter	8,704.3	6,524.3	6,080.5	286.3	2,337.5	508.5	265.5
1976							
First Quarter	9,294.4	6,982.9	6,339.4	305.9	2,649.1	507.7	367.1
1975							
December	2,951.3	2,216.5	2,009.9	91.9	849.5	175.2	81.6
1976							
January	3,054.3	2,354.4	2,028.5	99.7	926.1	170.9	116.0
February	3,196.3	2,363.9	2,243.4	103.6	849.3	172.1	130.4
March	3,043.7	2,264.6	2,067.5	102.6	873.6	164.8	120.7
April	3,215.2	2,414.9	2,124.7	108.5	982.0	177.1	118.4
May	2,909.5	2,171.6	2,090.3	81.0	738.2	152.7	111.1
			Percent changes				
May/April	-9.5	-10.0	-1.6	-25.4	-24.8	-13.7	-6.1
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	-0.3	-1.2	0.0	-1.0	-1.1	-4.5	6.7
May 76/May 75	5.1	-0.4	15.3	-26.9	-12.3	-15.8	10.4

Table 2

Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	May 1976	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	May 1975	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	May	Apr.	Mar.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,363.0	2,172.3	2,268.5	2,046.9	2,054.8	1,963.3	15.4	5.7	15.5
United Kingdom	93.5	98.0	112.0	129.0	90.2	110.5	-27.4	8.6	1.3
Other E.E.C.	170.2	168.6	168.9	200.9	159.2	170.0	-15.2	5.9	-0.6
Japan	112.5	114.3	124.9	106.2	111.3	94.1	5.9	2.6	32.6
Other O.E.C.D.	91.6	97.9	105.6	94.4	76.5	115.7	-2.9	27.9	-8.7
Other America	181.9	197.8	108.8	130.1	147.3	139.3	39.8	34.2	-21.9
Other Countries	266.3	309.2	345.0	417.2	252.0	268.5	-36.1	22.6	28.4
All Countries	3,279.0	3,158.1	3,233.7	3,124.7	2,891.3	2,861.4	4.9	9.2	13.0
	Year-to-Date						May-May Percent Changes		
	May 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1975	Apr. 1975	May 1974	Apr. 1974	76/75	75/74	
United States	10,775.9	8,412.8	9,523.5	7,476.6	8,516.7	6,526.7	13.1	11.8	
United Kingdom	492.8	399.3	534.6	405.6	409.4	311.4	-7.8	30.5	
Other E.E.C.	806.6	636.4	877.9	677.0	707.0	530.1	-8.1	24.1	
Japan	581.3	468.8	573.9	467.7	458.0	329.3	1.2	25.3	
Other O.E.C.D.	469.8	378.1	455.9	361.5	386.3	300.2	3.0	18.0	
Other America	821.4	639.5	756.4	626.4	746.0	569.4	8.5	1.3	
Other Countries	1,622.4	1,356.1	1,594.8	1,177.7	991.6	698.1	1.7	60.8	
All Countries	15,570.2	12,291.0	14,317.0	11,192.5	12,215.0	9,265.2	8.7	17.2	

Table 3

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	May 1976	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	May 1975	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	May	Apr.	Mar.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	12.4	15.9	15.1	8.9	7.3	7.5	38.9	118.5	102.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	232.1	198.1	205.4	230.0	170.3	176.5	0.9	16.3	16.3
Meat and fish	45.5	35.1	41.2	22.5	23.5	22.7	101.9	49.5	81.0
Fruits and vegetables	69.8	65.0	61.8	73.5	62.4	53.8	-4.9	4.1	14.7
Raw sugar	29.2	20.0	19.8	42.6	5.8	31.5	-31.4	242.0	-37.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	400.7	503.8	357.1	521.5	404.4	384.2	-23.1	24.6	-7.0
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	33.5	36.5	21.6	38.4	33.4	30.2	-12.7	9.4	-28.3
Coal	67.3	43.4	2.0	57.3	43.6	10.2	17.4	-0.4	-80.6
Crude petroleum	233.6	343.6	261.1	362.4	265.2	286.7	-35.5	29.5	-8.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	514.7	503.8	534.8	520.4	464.0	468.5	-1.0	8.5	14.1
Wood and paper	62.8	63.7	72.2	45.4	41.9	37.1	38.1	52.0	94.4
Textiles	70.9	65.1	72.1	64.1	59.9	53.1	10.6	8.7	35.8
Chemicals	151.1	151.0	147.7	128.2	120.2	123.5	17.8	25.6	19.6
Iron and steel	54.1	55.7	50.3	96.5	77.6	83.0	-43.9	-28.2	-39.3
Bars and rods, steel	7.9	6.9	6.9	11.8	12.8	11.2	-33.2	-45.7	-38.1
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	15.1	14.4	13.6	20.7	18.6	24.7	-26.9	-22.4	-45.0
Non-ferrous metals	27.5	34.9	42.6	27.5	26.3	33.4	0.0	32.6	27.5
End Products, Inedible	2,004.2	1,897.1	2,063.1	1,817.5	1,820.9	1,798.5	10.2	4.1	14.7
General purpose machinery	111.7	97.6	119.6	126.9	112.1	127.0	-11.9	-12.9	-5.8
Special industry machinery	193.0	178.8	156.9	184.3	161.6	159.3	4.7	10.6	-1.4
Machine tools, metalworking	12.6	11.1	11.9	19.8	14.3	16.0	-36.4	-22.2	-25.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	133.6	120.9	127.8	138.6	117.2	116.0	-3.6	3.1	10.2
Transportation equipment	963.3	912.8	986.5	815.9	904.7	844.7	18.0	0.8	16.8
Sedans, new	224.8	227.3	229.1	202.0	218.2	167.3	11.2	4.1	36.9
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	42.5	36.3	32.1	25.9	26.1	21.5	64.2	38.9	49.1
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	84.6	73.0	79.9	77.5	70.6	63.2	9.1	3.4	26.4
Other motor vehicles	30.2	25.0	24.5	31.2	31.2	30.0	-3.0	-19.8	-18.3
Motor vehicle engines	50.3	45.7	44.9	32.9	37.5	35.8	52.9	21.6	25.1
Motor vehicle engine parts	41.1	39.8	39.2	30.0	32.8	30.1	36.7	21.4	30.1
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	400.0	376.4	435.7	299.0	328.1	304.7	33.7	14.7	43.0
Aircraft, complete with engines	13.1	6.2	9.9	17.1	68.7	73.2	-23.2	-90.9	-86.5
Other equipment and tools	323.2	312.9	353.6	291.2	290.2	299.6	11.0	7.8	18.0
Electronic computers	31.5	29.8	35.3	26.7	28.7	23.8	17.9	35.3	47.8
Special Transactions, Trade	115.0	39.4	58.1	26.2	24.5	26.4	338.3	60.6	119.8
Total	3,279.0	3,158.1	3,233.7	3,124.7	2,891.3	2,861.4	4.9	9.2	13.0

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Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

			Year-to-Date				May-May Percent Changes	
	May 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1975	Apr. 1975	May 1974	Apr. 1974	76/75	75/74
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	54.8	42.4	38.9	29.9	64.0	57.0	40.9	-39.2
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,015.0	782.9	982.0	752.1	837.5	623.1	3.3	17.2
Meat and fish	199.9	154.4	123.5	100.9	126.5	105.2	61.9	-2.4
Fruits and vegetables	319.3	249.5	305.8	232.3	248.7	186.1	4.4	22.9
Raw sugar	96.4	67.2	154.3	111.7	84.7	59.9	-37.5	82.1
Crude Materials, Inedible	2,177.5	1,776.9	2,185.5	1,663.9	1,546.7	1,114.5	-0.3	41.3
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	140.6	107.1	162.8	124.4	132.0	93.0	-13.6	23.2
Coal	157.4	90.1	156.6	99.4	65.9	21.0	0.4	137.8
Crude petroleum	1,511.2	1,277.6	1,545.1	1,182.7	1,003.9	729.3	-2.1	53.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	2,561.0	2,046.3	2,471.4	1,951.0	2,400.9	1,788.1	3.6	2.9
Wood and pulp	346.1	283.3	197.7	152.3	239.3	177.7	75.0	-17.3
Textiles	361.0	290.1	292.6	228.5	341.5	262.4	23.4	-14.3
Chemicals	714.1	563.0	615.0	486.8	563.9	422.2	16.1	9.0
Iron and steel	269.4	215.3	471.1	374.5	400.1	289.9	-42.7	17.7
Bars and rods, steel	33.9	26.0	72.9	61.1	86.4	58.8	-53.5	-15.5
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	76.8	61.7	142.8	122.1	135.4	96.0	-46.1	5.4
Non ferrous metals	166.5	139.0	174.5	147.0	239.2	185.4	-4.5	-27.0
End Products, Inedible	9,477.0	7,472.8	8,515.8	6,698.3	7,262.2	5,603.4	11.2	17.2
General purpose machinery	556.6	444.9	588.3	461.4	444.0	341.7	-5.3	32.5
Special industry machinery	840.9	647.9	801.8	617.5	592.6	454.0	4.8	35.2
Machine tools, metalwork	59.4	46.9	79.2	59.4	54.7	42.9	-24.9	44.8
Agricultural machinery and tractors	588.9	455.3	548.7	410.1	333.6	238.9	7.3	64.4
Transportation equipment	4,432.5	3,469.2	3,865.8	3,050.0	3,432.0	2,673.7	14.6	12.6
Sedans, new	1,023.9	799.1	854.2	652.2	736.3	556.0	19.8	16.0
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	158.7	116.2	104.1	78.2	83.2	61.2	52.4	25.1
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	360.8	276.3	327.4	249.8	352.0	277.9	10.2	-6.9
Other motor vehicles	118.8	88.6	133.7	102.5	113.3	80.8	-11.1	18.0
Motor vehicle engines	223.0	172.7	164.6	131.7	169.6	132.8	35.4	-2.9
Motor vehicle engines parts	192.5	151.4	141.4	111.3	126.7	97.9	36.1	11.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,904.9	1,504.8	1,464.4	1,165.4	1,308.6	1,040.1	30.0	11.9
Aircraft, complete with engines	43.6	30.5	187.4	170.3	185.4	155.2	-76.7	1.0
Other equipment and tools	1,621.4	1,298.1	1,451.1	1,159.9	1,369.4	1,057.8	11.7	5.9
Electronic computers	153.5	122.0	137.4	110.7	141.5	109.9	11.7	-2.9
Special Transactions, Trade	284.8	169.8	123.4	97.2	103.9	79.2	130.6	18.8
Total	15,570.2	12,291.0	14,317.0	11,192.5	12,215.0	9,265.2	8.7	17.2

Table 4

Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1974								
Fourth Quarter	8,486.0	6,912.4	6,402.4	5,647.7	499.9	2,338.4	586.0	503.2
1975								
First Quarter	8,133.3	6,780.7	6,275.0	5,297.6	532.6	2,303.1	608.0	456.4
Second Quarter	8,223.6	6,540.3	6,008.8	5,179.1	450.1	2,594.4	630.7	554.0
Third Quarter	8,253.0	6,536.3	6,103.5	5,489.4	450.6	2,313.0	600.9	564.3
Fourth Quarter	8,494.9	6,805.7	6,274.6	5,687.1	356.2	2,451.6	507.4	547.5
1976								
First Quarter	9,083.3	7,245.3	6,720.2	6,088.9	432.2	2,562.2	611.5	671.4
1975								
December	2,923.5	2,376.6	2,182.9	1,924.3	145.8	853.4	191.0	217.9
1976								
January	3,018.7	2,390.9	2,224.4	1,981.8	127.9	909.0	216.8	221.9
February	3,103.1	2,465.2	2,263.7	2,084.5	146.6	872.0	204.1	259.3
March	2,961.5	2,389.2	2,232.1	2,022.6	157.6	781.3	190.6	190.2
April	3,050.8	2,371.8	2,289.1	2,133.0	162.8	755.0	198.3	220.8
May	3,038.9	2,300.8	2,159.2	2,145.5	124.9	768.5	227.1	153.0
			Percent changes					
May / April	-0.3	-2.9	-5.6	0.5	-23.2	1.7	14.5	-30.7
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	0.0	-2.3	0.1	5.1	5.9	-12.5	0.6	-19.3
May 76 / May 75	12.5	6.8	8.0	26.2	-18.6	-9.3	21.3	-23.7

Table 5

Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	May 1976	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	May 1975	Apr. 1975	Mar. 1975	May	Apr.	Mar.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,298.1	2,191.0	2,135.9	1,840.2	1,795.7	1,782.3	24.8	22.0	19.8
United Kingdom	141.7	158.4	150.8	178.9	134.7	155.8	-20.7	17.5	-3.2
Other E.E.C.	243.5	172.0	157.1	201.4	175.4	158.2	20.8	-1.9	-0.6
Japan	206.1	196.3	163.6	275.1	145.6	98.1	-25.0	34.8	66.7
Other O.E.C.D.	95.3	75.1	72.6	94.0	67.0	80.4	1.4	12.0	-9.7
Other America	134.1	121.6	100.4	163.8	124.3	118.5	-18.1	-2.2	-15.2
Other Countries	219.0	140.4	163.8	279.8	200.7	90.3	-21.7	-30.0	81.4
All Countries	3,337.8	3,054.8	2,944.2	3,033.2	2,643.4	2,483.6	10.0	15.5	18.5
	Year-to-Date						May-May Percent Changes		
	May 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1975	Apr. 1975	May 1974	Apr. 1974	76 / 75	75 / 74	
United States	10,458.8	8,160.8	8,761.6	6,921.4	8,446.9	6,503.3	19.3	3.7	
United Kingdom	721.5	579.8	827.5	648.6	762.9	558.2	-12.7	8.4	
Other E.E.C.	967.6	724.1	921.1	719.7	810.8	600.1	5.0	13.6	
Japan	1,008.4	802.3	842.0	566.9	1,005.0	708.4	19.7	-16.2	
Other O.E.C.D.	385.7	290.4	401.0	307.0	473.8	360.6	-3.8	-15.3	
Other America	585.6	451.5	694.1	530.3	544.1	412.3	-15.6	27.5	
Other Countries	974.2	755.2	948.5	668.7	708.3	471.1	2.7	33.9	
All Countries	15,101.8	11,764.1	13,395.8	10,362.6	12,751.8	9,614.0	12.7	5.0	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	May	Apr.	Mar.	May	Apr.	Mar.	May	Apr.	Mar.
	1976	1976	1976	1975	1975	1975			
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	11.0	9.9	7.7	3.3	3.4	3.2	234.7	192.8	138.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	384.1	241.1	207.3	384.4	266.0	166.1	-0.0	-9.3	24.7
Meat and fish	58.8	51.6	54.4	51.0	33.5	37.8	15.2	53.8	44.0
Cereals and preparations	238.7	118.2	93.0	265.3	164.2	70.9	-10.0	-28.0	31.1
Wheat	173.0	69.7	72.6	193.1	136.6	53.7	-10.4	-48.9	35.1
Crude Materials, Inedible	709.6	654.3	579.7	684.4	605.4	576.6	3.6	8.0	0.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	218.9	165.1	136.1	222.4	174.5	153.9	-1.5	-5.3	-11.5
Crude petroleum	195.1	195.2	183.0	207.9	243.1	245.0	-6.1	-19.7	-25.2
Natural gas	137.5	137.9	128.1	84.3	85.6	76.5	63.0	61.1	67.4
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,025.0	1,007.4	966.6	961.4	814.0	817.8	6.6	23.7	18.1
Wood and paper	517.6	526.2	489.5	534.7	465.7	436.3	-3.1	12.9	12.1
Lumber, softwood	117.2	120.8	120.0	120.6	89.2	56.5	-2.8	35.3	112.3
Wood pulp and similar pulp	166.9	164.7	170.8	190.6	170.4	162.3	-12.4	-3.3	5.2
Newsprint paper	178.8	190.4	149.3	178.8	162.9	175.2	0.0	16.8	-14.7
Textiles	8.4	9.0	8.7	7.9	6.8	9.6	6.6	32.6	-9.6
Chemicals	110.5	138.8	124.3	89.6	87.8	101.1	23.4	58.1	22.9
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	39.1	69.9	58.4	45.1	42.6	51.1	-13.2	64.1	14.2
Petroleum and coal products	49.6	37.1	42.5	54.1	38.1	45.5	-8.4	-2.6	-6.4
Iron and steel	71.5	57.1	63.2	70.4	59.2	63.7	1.5	-3.5	-0.8
Non-ferrous metals	210.5	186.7	184.7	157.2	114.3	116.3	33.9	63.3	58.9
Copper and alloys	46.1	38.9	43.6	41.6	30.6	33.0	10.8	27.3	32.1
Nickel and alloys	36.7	32.2	37.0	46.7	41.1	31.1	-21.3	-21.6	19.0
End Products, Inedible	1,116.4	1,050.2	1,100.1	928.5	887.5	844.7	20.2	18.3	30.2
Industrial machinery	74.2	69.8	73.6	82.4	71.3	77.9	-9.8	-2.1	-5.5
Agricultural machinery and tractors	57.3	55.8	48.6	44.5	58.9	52.5	28.5	-5.1	-7.3
Transportation equipment	787.6	759.0	796.4	649.0	613.9	566.3	21.3	23.6	40.6
Passenger automobiles and chassis	332.5	343.3	313.6	280.5	301.4	280.4	18.5	13.9	11.8
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	111.1	112.2	120.8	94.9	96.9	81.8	17.1	15.8	47.6
Other motor vehicles	13.9	9.6	13.6	11.3	7.9	9.6	23.1	22.8	42.0
Motor vehicle engines and parts	66.0	60.2	64.1	45.0	41.0	29.7	46.6	47.0	115.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	204.7	165.6	184.4	134.1	127.0	116.7	52.7	30.4	58.0
Other equipment and tools	69.8	62.0	71.7	61.8	56.4	65.8	13.0	10.0	9.0
Special transactions, Trade	23.6	33.5	18.5	6.3	6.0	6.5	276.1	460.6	184.6
Total	3,269.7	2,996.4	2,879.8	2,968.2	2,582.3	2,415.0	10.1	16.0	19.2

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Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

			Year-to-Date				May-May Percent Changes	
	May 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1975	Apr. 1975	May 1974	Apr. 1974	76/75	75/74
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	48.0	36.9	15.3	12.0	42.0	31.6	214.4	-63.6
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,504.0	1,119.9	1,422.7	1,038.3	1,395.4	965.1	5.7	1.9
Meat and fish	262.3	203.5	199.9	148.9	205.6	162.1	31.2	-2.7
Cereals and preparations	919.1	680.5	905.0	639.7	882.4	569.4	1.5	2.5
Wheat	623.4	450.5	713.4	520.3	732.0	463.7	-12.6	-2.5
Crude Materials, Inedible	3,309.7	2,600.1	3,200.5	2,516.2	2,922.5	2,149.8	3.4	9.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	808.4	589.5	852.9	630.5	864.2	615.7	-5.2	-1.3
Crude petroleum	1,061.5	866.4	1,320.7	1,112.8	1,268.0	946.4	-19.6	4.1
Natural gas	677.1	539.6	392.6	308.2	179.3	142.2	72.4	118.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	4,747.8	3,722.9	4,295.9	3,334.5	4,363.8	3,325.9	10.5	-1.5
Wood and paper	2,369.1	1,851.5	2,316.6	1,781.9	2,252.0	1,701.0	2.2	2.8
Lumber, softwood	569.4	452.2	397.8	277.2	614.7	446.5	43.1	-35.2
Woodpulp and similar pulp	856.4	689.5	861.2	670.6	701.3	537.0	-0.5	22.8
Newsprint paper	693.8	514.9	847.7	668.9	672.3	517.2	-18.1	26.0
Textiles	43.8	35.4	40.3	32.4	58.1	45.2	8.6	-30.6
Chemicals	580.3	469.8	456.9	367.3	408.1	307.4	27.0	11.9
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	258.1	219.0	227.1	182.0	184.3	133.7	13.6	23.2
Petroleum and coal products	265.8	216.3	240.2	186.1	266.1	201.9	10.6	-9.7
Iron and steel	321.9	250.4	331.8	261.4	245.1	188.0	-2.9	35.4
Non-ferrous metals	890.3	679.8	672.9	515.7	839.9	659.9	32.3	-19.8
Copper and alloys	216.0	170.0	197.5	155.9	286.2	222.7	9.3	-30.9
Nickel and alloys	158.9	122.2	193.1	146.5	165.9	138.1	-17.7	16.4
End Products, Inedible	5,090.3	3,973.9	4,115.3	3,186.8	3,726.2	2,918.1	23.6	10.4
Industrial machinery	351.6	277.4	389.4	307.1	292.1	223.8	-9.7	33.3
Agricultural machinery and tractors	249.6	192.4	238.6	194.0	159.1	118.6	4.6	49.9
Transportation equipment	3,626.9	2,839.3	2,775.6	2,126.7	2,597.6	2,061.9	30.6	6.8
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,537.2	1,204.7	1,261.7	981.2	1,134.4	911.9	21.8	11.2
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	553.6	442.4	464.1	369.2	370.4	287.6	19.2	25.2
Other motor vehicles	58.1	44.2	47.7	36.4	39.7	28.3	21.8	19.9
Motor vehicle engines and parts	301.6	235.6	170.5	125.5	187.7	147.5	76.9	-9.1
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	871.7	667.0	571.8	437.8	598.5	465.9	52.4	-4.4
Other equipment and tools	318.0	248.2	304.2	242.5	262.2	202.5	4.5	16.0
Special transactions, Trade	95.2	71.6	25.1	18.8	20.6	13.3	279.5	21.8
Total	14,795.1	11,525.4	13,074.8	10,106.6	12,470.4	9,403.8	13.1	4.8

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	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial (\$000)	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	132	213	345	7,520	6	1,363	138	9,027
Prince Edward Island	118	25	143	3,905	377	110	2	4,394
Nova Scotia	505	119	624	15,651	427	3,747	1,042	20,867
New Brunswick	474	447	921	23,819	250	2,672	9,785	36,526
Quebec	3,720	2,551	6,271	153,389	20,861	40,600	54,931	269,781
Ontario	3,825	3,875	7,700	252,026	26,797	59,131	30,563	368,517
Manitoba	664	577	1,241	31,362	1,926	18,899	4,361	56,548
Saskatchewan	736	219	955	30,259	504	7,746	7,880	46,389
Alberta	1,965	1,896	3,861	114,905	4,630	28,056	16,048	163,639
British Columbia	1,604	735	2,339	76,346	6,981	18,142	6,540	108,009
Yukon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northwest Territories	10	—	10	509	13	77	—	599
Canada — Unadjusted	13,753	10,657	24,410	709,691	62,772	180,543	131,290	1,084,296
Canada — Adjusted	10,704	10,052	20,756	589,131	57,934	186,649	159,024	992,738
Metropolitan Areas	6,045	7,730	13,775	401,669	38,702	128,470	102,270	671,111
Calgary	296	839	1,135	25,177	1,492	5,826	9,256	41,751
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	57	10	67	2,258	199	64	—	2,521
Edmonton	545	488	1,033	34,914	395	10,275	2,803	48,387
Halifax	120	115	235	6,282	13	2,571	835	9,701
Hamilton	135	385	520	15,255	4,235	2,090	271	21,851
Hull	106	15	121	4,564	7	1,347	15	5,933
Kitchener	210	176	386	11,217	528	989	176	12,910
London	182	58	240	7,405	440	1,524	776	10,145
Montréal	1,511	1,808	3,319	78,111	13,207	19,615	52,728	163,661
Ottawa	152	301	453	14,412	143	8,288	3,604	26,447
Québec	252	91	343	10,445	117	8,005	147	18,714
Regina	142	44	186	6,939	10	4,322	241	11,512
St. Catharines-Niagara	229	216	445	11,862	631	2,287	28	14,808
Saint-John	50	346	396	8,021	96	1,077	51	9,245
St. John's	4	213	217	4,151	—	1,195	138	5,484
Saskatoon	157	77	234	5,395	439	1,720	7,052	14,606
Sudbury	99	38	137	4,417	—	1,557	445	6,419
Thunder Bay	56	12	68	2,518	204	1,092	667	4,481
Toronto	541	1,369	1,910	80,044	11,497	28,112	14,487	134,140
Vancouver	562	390	952	30,946	2,063	4,453	4,010	41,472
Victoria	107	143	250	8,505	123	3,388	103	12,119
Windsor	125	84	209	6,205	1,568	877	153	8,803
Winnipeg	407	512	919	22,626	1,295	17,796	4,284	46,001

Preliminary figures.

The seasonally-adjusted value of building permits in April was \$993 million, up from \$969 million in March. In April 1975 the value was \$835 million.

Permit activity in April decreased in all but the governmental sector. Industrial construction dropped to \$58 million from \$93 million in March. Residential and commercial construction dropped fractionally. The value of government-sponsored projects, including a \$50 million post office in St. Laurent, Que., increased to \$159 million from \$70 million in March.

For further information order *Building Permits*, April 1976 (64-001, 70¢/\$1).

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,502,658,000 square feet of corrugated boxes and wrappers in May, an increase of 20.8% over the 1,244,386,000 square feet produced in May 1975. January to May shipments totalled 7,281,496,000 square feet.

For further information, order the May issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.80), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Transport Part V, 1975 — Advance Information.

Revenue freight traffic carried by rail in Canada in 1975 totalled 249.1 million tons, a decrease of 8.3% from 1974. This decline reflected adverse economic conditions, labour problems, strikes at ports and in certain Canadian industries and a poor market supply for some commodities.

Domestic loadings — excluding traffic received from United States connections — were down 6.5% to 227.7 million tons. Receipts from U.S. railways dipped 23.3% to 21.4 million tons.

Of the seven major commodity categories under which 320 classes of freight are recorded, only live animals registered an increase in 1975. By virtue of a 28,000 ton increase in cattle this group was up 9.5%.

Losses in the crude and fabricated materials classes were among the heaviest. This was due to depressed movements of forest and allied products resulting from prolonged strikes in that industry. Iron ore, sulphur and potash loadings were also below 1974 levels, while coal was in greater demand and showed a 5.0 million ton, or 29.1%, gain. Piggyback movements for 1975 were down from 1974.

For further information, order the 1975 edition of *Railway Transport Part V* (52-211, \$2.10), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Operating Statistics, April 1976 — Advance Information.

Six major railways in Canada reported operating revenues totalling \$265.9 million in April, an increase of 17.0% over the 1975 month. Operating expenses were up 13.1% to \$257.4 million and a net income of \$8.5 million was recorded as opposed to a deficit of \$277,184 in April 1975.

Freight ton-miles at 10,643.3 million were down 7.6% in the current month and freight train-miles were 8.6% below the 1975 level. Freight car-miles declined 7.3%.

Revenue passenger-miles rose 1.9% to 114.8 million with inter-city travel responsible for the gain.

In the first four months of 1976, railway revenues totalled \$993.9 million, up 20.3%. Expenses rose 11.8% to \$967.6 million and a net income of \$26.3 million was registered as against a deficit of \$39.1 million in 1975. Ton-miles in the January to April period were up 1.7% to 41,531.4 million while passenger-miles were down 1.6% to 445.3 million.

For further information, order the April issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Footwear Statistics, April 1976 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

Farm Cash Receipts, April 1976 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Consolidated Government Finance, 1973 (68-202, \$1.05)

Advance Unemployment Insurance Statistics, March 1976 (73-001-P, N/C)

Service Bulletins:

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5, No. 6, Tobacco Stocks — Stocks of Unmanufactured Tobacco in Canada at March 31, 1976

Selected Dairy By-products (32-024, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 5: No. 9, Production and Inventory of Instant Dry Skim Milk Powder, May 1976; No. 10, Production and Inventory of Process Cheese, May 1976



Percentage Distribution of All Households by Selected Dwelling Characteristics and Household Facilities and Equipment, 1972 and 1974⁽¹⁾

Dwelling Characteristics and Household Facilities and Equipment		All Households		
		1972	1974	
	%	Household Average Income(2) \$	%	Household Average Income(3) \$
Household Size				
1 person	15.2	4,781	17.2	5,631
2 persons	26.2	8,784	27.3	10,427
3 persons	17.5	10,205	16.5	12,790
4-5 persons	28.6	11,636	28.6	14,189
6 or more persons	12.5	12,033	10.4	15,620
Number of Rooms				
1-4	32.4	7,052	32.7	7,936
5	24.8	9,319	23.7	11,139
6	20.3	10,307	20.2	12,965
7 or more	22.5	13,151	23.4	16,035
Tenure				
Owned	61.1	10,600	62.4	13,042
Rented and other	38.9	8,145	37.6	9,229
Dwelling Type				
Single Detached	60.8	10,361	59.1	12,755
Other	39.2	8,535	40.9	9,951
With Automatic Washing Machines	41.4	12,245	47.4	14,419
With Clothes Dryers	41.8	12,139	47.1	14,401
With Record-Playing Equipment	70.8	10,884	73.4	13,025
With Telephones	94.2	9,954	95.5	11,895
With Televisions				
Colour	24.0	12,950	43.2	14,094
Black and White	71.6	8,755	52.6	9,910
With Automobiles				
One	59.1	9,744	56.4	11,526
Two or more	17.6	14,996	20.5	18,113
Household Average Income		9,646		11,609

(1) Excludes households in the Yukon and Northwest Territories, households on Indian reserves and in military camps, as well as institutional households.

(2) This represents income received during 1971.

(3) This represents income received during 1973.

Household Facilities by Income and Other Characteristics, 1974 — Advance Information.

The third in a series of reports relating the facilities and equipment present in Canadian households to the income of the households is planned for release later this summer. This report, based on data collected from a sample of private Canadian households in the spring of 1974, will be released as a special tabulation package available only on request. The two earlier publications were released under catalogue numbers 13-540 for 1968 and 13-560 for 1972. The accompanying tables give some highlights from the forthcoming release.

For further information contact Penny Barclay (613-992-4742), or for use of microdata contact Allison Paoliello (613-992-3200), Consumer Income and Expenditure Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, 1975 — Advance Information.

Sales of farm implements and equipment, including repair parts, for 1975 were valued at \$1,110,828,308, up 31.3% from the 1974 figure of \$845,904,942. New machines sold increased from \$713,696,119 in 1974 to \$966,786,106 in 1975, up 35.5%, while repair parts for 1975 at \$144,042,202 were up 9.0% from 1974 sales of \$132,208,823.

Further information will be contained in *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, 1975* (63-203) and advance details can be obtained from Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Percentage of Households, With Household Income Groups, With Specified Facilities and Equipment, 1974(1)

1973 Income Group	Bath facilities	Freezers	Automatic electric washing machines	Other electric washing machines	Households with		Colour TV	Black and white TV	One auto-mobile	Two or more auto-mobiles
					Clothes dryers	Tele-phones				
					per cent					
Under \$2,000	87.5	20.7	20.3	36.3	18.1	83.3	21.1	64.7	29.8	2.8
\$2,000 — 3,999	89.2	23.9	20.3	41.4	19.5	88.2	24.1	67.6	35.2	2.5
4,000 — 5,999	92.3	31.1	29.1	41.2	29.8	92.0	28.7	66.1	52.9	5.2
6,000 — 7,999	94.9	33.5	34.3	37.0	36.0	94.5	34.6	60.4	63.3	8.4
8,000 — 9,999	96.8	37.5	43.0	32.1	44.1	96.6	39.3	57.1	70.5	12.5
10,000 — 11,999	98.0	38.9	49.8	28.3	50.2	97.4	46.0	50.9	71.8	15.9
12,000 — 14,999	98.4	45.9	58.9	24.2	58.1	98.8	51.3	46.7	67.1	24.6
15,000 — 24,999	99.3	49.5	68.5	17.5	66.2	99.2	57.6	40.6	53.7	41.0
25,000 and over	99.3	57.3	76.5	12.7	77.7	99.4	70.4	27.9	35.3	60.6
Totals	95.9	39.1	47.4	29.0	47.1	95.5	43.2	52.6	56.4	20.5
Household Average Income	11,851	13,513	14,419	9,228	14,401	11,895	14,094	9,910	11,526	18,113

(1) Excludes households in the Yukon and Northwest Territories, households on Indian reserves and in military camps, as well as institutional households.

Percentage Distribution of Households Within Household Income Groups by Dwelling Characteristics and Selected Averages, 1974(1)

1973 Income Group	Total households		Household Size (Number of persons)			Tenure		Type of dwelling		Average number of		
	Estimated numbers '000	%	1	2-3	4 or more	Owned	Rented and other per cent	Single detached	Other	Persons per house-hold	Rooms per house-hold	Persons per room
Under \$2,000	347	100.0	65.7	24.3	10.0	46.2	53.8	47.8	52.2	1.74	4.18	0.42
\$2,000 — \$3,999	690	100.0	48.0	41.5	10.5	51.3	48.7	51.4	48.6	1.90	4.33	0.44
4,000 — 5,999	675	100.0	24.3	52.1	23.6	53.4	46.6	51.9	48.1	2.63	4.75	0.55
6,000 — 7,999	674	100.0	21.3	48.2	30.5	52.3	47.7	50.9	49.1	2.93	4.89	0.60
8,000 — 9,999	753	100.0	13.8	47.0	39.2	55.9	44.1	53.7	46.3	3.25	5.12	0.63
10,000 — 11,999	756	100.0	8.8	48.0	43.2	58.3	41.7	55.7	44.3	3.38	5.24	0.64
12,000 — 14,999	954	100.0	4.9	45.2	49.9	68.5	31.5	63.6	36.4	3.61	5.56	0.65
15,000 — 24,999	1,403	100.0	3.0	41.5	55.5	76.6	23.4	69.8	30.2	3.86	6.07	0.64
25,000 and over	350	100.0	3.1	31.7	65.2	86.7	13.3	79.2	20.8	4.40	6.94	0.63
Totals	6,603	100.0	17.2	43.7	39.1	62.4	37.6	59.1	40.9	3.19	5.30	0.60
Household Average income \$	11,609		5,631	11,317	14,572	13,042	9,229	12,755	9,951			

(1) Excludes households in the Yukon and Northwest Territories, households on Indian reserves and in military camps, as well as institutional households.

Index of Farm Production, 1975 — Advance Information.

The 1975 index of the physical volume of agricultural production for Canada (1961=100) is 159.5, an increase of 7.5% from the revised 1974 index of 148.4. The agricultural products included in the index are, in so far as statistics are available, all commodities produced on farms for sale, consumption in farm homes or additions to farm inventories.

For further information, order the 1975 issue of *Index of Farm Production* (21-203, 35¢), or contact G. Andrusiak (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 26 — Advance Information.

Preliminary steel ingot production for the week ended June 26 was 251,200 short tons — 227 885 t (metric tonnes) — a decrease of 5.3% from the preceding week's total of 265,315 short tons — 240 690 t (metric tonnes). The comparable week's total in 1975 was 258 211 tons — 234 245 t (metric tonnes). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons — 166 221 t (metric tonnes) — equalling 100 was 137.1 in the current week, 144.8 a week earlier and 140.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Breweries, April 1976 (32-019, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Weekly Security Price Indexes

June 1976 — Advance Information.

	Number stocks priced	June 25/76 This week	June 18/76 Week ago	May 28/76 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	109.6	110.0	110.6
Industrials	85	113.8	113.9	113.8
Foods	9	92.0	92.4	94.2
Alcoholic beverages	5	85.0	85.7	84.4
Textiles and clothing	3	139.3	142.0	140.6
Pulp and paper	7	146.7	147.8	148.2
Printing and publishing	5	119.0	121.3	125.5
Primary metals	4	129.3	131.7	133.2
Industrial mines	6	100.7	99.5	96.8
Metal fabricating	9	225.7	226.0	214.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	103.5	102.9	105.6
Petroleum	8	106.4	106.3	108.7
Chemicals	5	135.8	137.2	142.7
Construction	5	209.8	209.7	213.5
Trade	15	97.9	98.0	99.8
Utilities and services	28	92.5	92.5	92.7
Transportation	6	130.5	131.2	128.3
Pipelines	5	77.0	77.1	78.1
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	111.2	111.2	111.3
Telephone	4	94.6	94.2	95.6
Electric power	3	107.7	106.4	108.4
Gas distribution	5	69.2	69.3	69.3
Finances	21	114.4	116.6	121.7
Banks	8	118.7	121.2	127.2
Investment and loan	9	106.2	107.4	110.7
Insurance	4	95.0	96.9	98.2
Mining Index	17	106.2	107.3	106.8
Gold	9	171.1	175.4	169.8
Base metals	8	75.1	74.7	76.6
Uraniums	2	219.4	217.2	209.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	114.1	114.0	113.2

For further information, order the June issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Transport Part VI, 1975 — Advance Information.

Employment in the Canadian railway industry in 1975 (excluding those engaged in rail express, highway transport, telecommunications and other non-rail activities) averaged 114,541 persons. This represented a decrease of 3,815 employees or 3.2% from 1974. Compensation paid in the year amounted to \$1,554.2 million, an increase of 7.7% from \$1,442.7 million in 1974.

A breakdown of earnings by railway function showed that wages of employees engaged in transportation services accounted for 44 cents of the average wage dollar paid in 1975. Wages of equipment maintenance workers took 24 cents and road maintenance employees accounted for 18 cents. Personnel classified as general received 14 cents.

Railway employee salaries averaged \$13,569 annually in 1975, an increase of \$1,380 or 11.3%. Hourly wage rates at \$6.27 represented a gain of 75 cents over 1974.

Service hours paid for in 1975 totalled 247.7 million for those employed in railway operations, down 5.2% from 261.4 million, and hours actually worked at 216.5 million were down 6.1% from 1974.

For further information, order *Railway Transport, Part VI, 1975* (52-212, 70¢), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Iron Ore, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian mines shipped 7,023,368 short tons of iron ore in May compared to 5,652,846 short tons in May 1975. This brought 1976 output to 17,311,778 short tons from 16,806,512 short tons a year earlier.

For further information, order the May issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Dairy Review, April 1976 — Advance Information. An estimated 154,544,000 quarts of fluid milk, standard and 2% milk included, were sold in April, an increase of 3.8% over April 1975.

For further information, order the April issue of *Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Fruit and Vegetable Production, 1976 — Advance Information.

On June 28, 1976, the Niagara District sour cherry crop was forecast to be down 37% from the 1975 crop.

For further information, order *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, 30¢/\$3), to be released July 20, or contact Mr. G.O. Code (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, May 1976 — Advance Information.

Canadian egg production decreased 1.4% to 37.5 million dozen in May from 38.1 million in May 1975. The average number of layers was down 4.1% to 22.9 million from 23.8 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 2.8% to 1,970 from 1,917. Farm price of eggs sold for market was up 21.4% to 63.0¢ a dozen from 51.9¢.

For further information, order the May issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact B.E. Rosien (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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